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Democrats see focus on abortion pay off

Win in Wis. court race could offer a blueprint for swing states in 2024

By Jess Bidgood
GLOBE STAFF

WAUNAUKEE, Wis. — When Dave Kepner cast his early vote in the pivotal Supreme Court race here late last week, there was one issue that loomed above all others: abortion rights, which disappeared in Wisconsin when Roe v. Wade fell last summer and the state's 1849 abortion ban went back into effect.

Kepner said his wife had three miscarriages that required dilation and curettage, a procedure to treat pregnancy loss that is also used in abortions, and he worried the ban could make it harder for people to access those treatments in the future. He voted for Janet Protasiewicz, a liberal county judge who made abortion the central issue of her campaign.

"I'm voting for my daughter," said Kepner, a 36-year-old agronomist who said he used to consider himself conservative. "It's scary to revert back to an 1849 law."

Protasiewicz cruised to a

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Janet Protasiewicz celebrated her 11-percentage-point victory Tuesday night in the Wisconsin Supreme Court race.

'The more Democrats can force Republicans into playing defense on this, I think, the better.'

JESSICA TAYLOR, *Cook Political Report*

Ex-official accused of stealing from Keolis

Allegedly took $8m with partner using fake invoices and selling copper wire

By Travis Andersen, Mike Damiano, and Taylor Dolven
GLOBE STAFF

A former Keolis official was charged with conspiring with an electrical vendor to steal more than $8 million from the commuter rail operator by falsifying invoices and scrapping copper wire for cash.

Prosecutors on Wednesday said John Pigsley, a former assistant chief engineer who managed facilities maintenance for Keolis, led the years-long scheme in concert with the electrical subcontractor, John Rafferty. The men allegedly used fake invoices for electrical services to steal more than $4 million from the commuter rail operator.

Pigsley is also accused of stealing copper wire from Keolis and selling it for scrap for more than $4.5 million.

The charges were announced as the MBTA reels from a series of crises and embarrassments, including an unplanned systemwide slowdown of subway trains last month, revelations of safety and production issues at a plant building new train cars for the T, a monthlong shutdown of the Orange Line that failed to correct track defects, and cuts to subway and bus service.

"T ridership has had to endure its fair share of both acute and chronic issues," US Attorney Ra-

KEOLIS, Page A10

A new report says a more inclusive view of the Boston community shows it's getting larger, not smaller

By Tiana Woodard
GLOBE STAFF

Year after year, census reports have warned that Boston's Black population is fleeing, sparking concerns among policy makers and business leaders about the loss of so much Black talent and culture from Massachusetts.

But a new report set to be released Thursday suggests that the picture is more nuanced, and that the Black population is in fact increasing across the region, and is more diverse than policy makers may realize.

The 55-page report, "Great Migration to Global Immigration: A Portrait of Black Boston," examines the everchanging makeup of Boston's Black community, and it shows that more Black people of different birthplaces, educational attainment, and socioeconomic status are calling Greater Boston home.

The report's researchers say their findings differ from past studies, specifically those that found a net loss of Black residents in Boston, because those reports largely recognize only people who identify as Black only. The new report also includes Afro Latinos who might select both Black and Latino or Hispanic origins on federal census questionnaires, as well as people who choose Black in combination with other racial or ethnic groups.

The researchers say all people who identify as Black, including Black Latinos and those who also identify with other races and ethnicities, should be counted to truly understand the growth of the community and culture.

"Those data distinctions can make the difference between telling a story of a Black population decline or a Black population increase," said Luc Schuster, executive director of Boston Indicators, who co-

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3 charged with selling defective tests for lead

Results from 2013-17 for tens of thousands of children now in question

By John R. Ellement and Kay Lazar
GLOBE STAFF

Three former executives at a Massachusetts medical device company knowingly sold defective lead-testing machines between 2013 and 2017 that generated inaccurate results for tens of thousands of children across the country and for clients of at least one international relief organization, federal prosecutors said Wednesday.

The case raises the possibility that the presence of the toxic metal, which can cause multiple health problems, went undetected in many children. The Boston office of the FBI said it has launched a national campaign to locate people who used the devices between June 2013 and December 2017.

Amy Winslow, 51, of Needham; Reba Daoust, 66, of Amesbury; and Mohammad Hossein Maleknia,64, of Bonita Springs, Fla., are accused of knowing that devices made by Magellan Diagnostics had a manufacturing flaw that generated false negatives, giving parents the mistaken impression their children were safe, US Attorney Rachael Rollins's office said.

One of the devices, the LeadCare II, accounted for 2.5 million tests in 2017 — half of all tests conducted in the United States that year, authorities said.

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Time to get hip, whippersnapper

Replacements aren't just for (ahem) old people anymore

By Beth Teitell
GLOBE STAFF

Not her. Beth Laliberty was only 54. A skier, a soccer player — a kid. Sure, she'd been limping for years. And yeah, when she caught sight of her reflection in a window at Market Basket in Haverhill she was shocked by the hunched figure leaning on the cart for support. "Who's that 85-year-old woman?" she wondered.

But even so, when a surgeon suggested a hip replacement, Laliberty recoiled. "That's for old people," she thought.

Well, that's how she felt two hips ago anyway. On a recent Wednesday — 11 years since the doctor's unwelcome recommendation, and nearly five years since her new joints gave her her "life back" — Laliberty was still struggling to understand her former self.

"I don't know if it was a vanity thing," said Laliberty, an attorney in solo practice.

But guess what? Grandma surgery is no longer just for grandmas. In fact, so many people are getting hip replacements in their 40s or 50s that the procedure could become a new Gen-X merit badge.

If they remake "The Breakfast Club," it should be set in a physical therapy facility.

The demographic shift toward younger patients can be seen in the data, on the operating table, and on orthopedic-focused websites, where headlines like this one from the Cleveland Clinic are today's clickbait: "Are You 'Too Young' for Hip Replacement Surgery?" it asks. (Short answer: No.)

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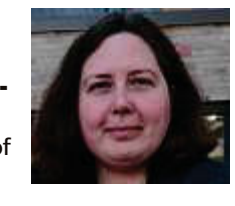
The Justice Department reached a tentative $144 million settlement with families and victims of a 2017 mass shooting at a Texas church that was carried out by a former US airman. **A2.**

Boston-area tech employment actually increased slightly in 2022, despite a wave of layoffs and other bad news for the industry **D1.**

The Red Sox continued their early-season struggles, getting swept by the lowly Pirates. **C1.**



City Councilor Kenzie Bok will be the next leader of the Boston Housing Authority, taking over an organization that serves thousands of the poorest residents. **B1.**

Violence resumed for a second night in Jerusalem when Palestinian worshipers barricaded themselves inside Al-Aqsa Mosque and Israeli police used force to take dozens out. **A4.**

Back to the 70s

Thursday: Cloudy but warmer. High 66-71. Low 47-52.

Friday: Sunny, pleasant. High 56-61. Low 32-37.

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$144.5m deal in Texas church shooting

Justice Dept. OK's settlement after legal fight

By Glenn Thrush
NEW YORK TIMES

WASHINGTON — The Justice Department has reached a $144.5 million settlement with the families of 26 people killed in a 2017 mass shooting at a church in Texas after an acrimonious legal battle in which the government claimed it was not liable for its failure to update the national firearms background check system.

Attorney General Merrick Garland has signed off on the deal, which lawyers in the Justice Department's civil division negotiated with lawyers representing the families of victims and survivors who had gathered for Sunday worship at First Baptist Church in Sutherland Springs, outside San Antonio.

The settlement is among the largest of its kind, exceeding previous ones the department reached over mass shootings that stemmed from the government's failure to take steps to prevent mass shootings by sharing intelligence and other information that might have been used to stop them. In recent years, the department paid out $127.5 million to the victims of the school shooting in Parkland, Fla., in 2018, and $88 million to the families of those killed or injured in the church shooting in Charleston, S.C., in 2015.

In February 2022, Judge Xavier Rodriguez of the US District Court in San Antonio found that Air Force officials had failed to submit crucial records that would have prevented the suspect in the Sutherland Springs shooting from obtaining from a licensed gun dealer the semiautomatic rifle that he used in the attack. Those documents included a domestic violence conviction by a military court.

But months of negotiations failed to end in a deal. Late last year, after an attempt at mediation with lawyers for the families of those killed and injured in the shooting, the government withdrew from negotiations and appealed the decision. That angered the families, their lawyers, and gun control groups, which viewed the case as a crucial test of the Biden administration's commitment to addressing the government's responsibility to keep weapons out of the hands of mass shooters.

ERIC GAY/ASSOCIATED PRESS/2017 FILE

A makeshift memorial was created near the First Baptist Church in Sutherland Springs, outside San Antonio.

In January, the Justice Department took the extraordinary step of appealing Rodriguez's $230 million award to the families. At the time, Brian Boynton, head of the civil division, acknowledged that there was "no dispute that US Air Force personnel failed to transmit to the National Instant Criminal Background Check System" critical information about the killer, Devin Patrick Kelley, 26, who opened fire at First Baptist Church.

"The Sutherland Springs families are heroes," Jamal Alsaffar, the lead lawyer for the families, said Wednesday. "They have gone through so much pain and loss in the most horrific way. But despite that, these families fought for justice, endured, and won two trials against the federal government."

These settlements will resolve claims by more than 75 plaintiffs, according to a department spokesperson. The settlement still needs the approval of the judge, but both sides expect he will sign off.

"No words or amount of money can diminish the immense tragedy of the mass shooting in Sutherland Springs," said the associate attorney general, Vanita Gupta, who oversees the civil division. "Today's announcement brings the litigation to a close, ending a painful chapter for the victims of this unthinkable crime."

Kelley, who died in the aftermath of the attack, served at an Air Force base in New Mexico until he was court-martialed in 2012 on charges of assaulting his wife and child. He was sentenced to 12 months' confinement and received a "bad conduct" discharge, which should have prevented him from buying firearms or ammunition under federal law.

The Air Force later acknowledged that officials had failed to enter the conviction into the federal database used to perform criminal background checks.

Rodriguez ordered the Air Force to pay damages to the victims.

EPA to tighten limits on mercury

Edict would hit coal, oil plants

By Lisa Friedman
NEW YORK TIMES

WASHINGTON — The Biden administration said Wednesday that it would require coal- and oil-fired power plants to reduce emissions of several hazardous air pollutants, including mercury, a neurotoxin that can cause developmental problems in infants and children.

The proposed rule from the Environmental Protection Agency has two broad policy aims: reduce dangerous toxins in the environment while also encouraging the transition away from coal-burning power plants and toward cleaner energy sources such as solar and wind.

The proposal sets up a likely legal battle with the coal industry and several Republican-led states, which fought to block a previous effort to regulate mercury under the Obama administration. The Obama-era rule, which took effect in 2012, was credited with reducing mercury emissions by about 90 percent.

However, the EPA found that mercury coming from power plants still posed a risk to human health. So the new rule aims to strengthen the limits for mercury emissions from coal-fired power plants by 70 percent. It also would further reduce other toxic pollutants such as lead, nickel, and arsenic.

Michael Regan, the EPA administrator, said in a statement that the rule would not be expensive for plant operators to implement because of new technologies that are available for monitoring and controlling emissions.

"By leveraging proven emissions-reduction measures available at reasonable costs and encouraging new, advanced control technologies, we can reduce hazardous pollution from coal-fired power plants, protecting our planet and improving public health for all," Regan said.

The new Mercury and Air Toxics Standards rule would not directly reduce the greenhouse gas emissions from power plants that are driving climate change. But it is one of several recent EPA regulations targeting toxins emitted from smokestacks and coal ash ponds that could have that effect indirectly, by making coal plants too costly to operate.

Regan has in the past suggested that an aspect of the Biden administration's climate strategy, by cracking down on pollutants, is to encourage operators of coal plants to shut them down or make a transition to renewable energy.

"By presenting all of those rules at the same time to the industry," Regan said at an oil and gas conference last year, "the industry gets a chance to take a look at this suite of rules all at once and say, 'Is it worth doubling down in investments in this current facility? Or should we look at that cost and say now it's time to pivot and invest in a clean energy future?' "

On Wednesday, Regan said the new rule would ensure "historic protections" for communities located near power plants.

Daily Briefing

Report details church abuse in Maryland

BALTIMORE — More than 150 Catholic priests and others associated with the Archdiocese of Baltimore sexually abused more than 600 children over the past 80 years, according to a state report released Wednesday that accused church officials of decades of cover-ups.

The report paints a damning picture of the archdiocese, which is the oldest Roman Catholic diocese in the country and spans much of Maryland. Some parishes, schools, and congregations had more than one abuser at the same time, including St. Mark Parish in Catonsville, which had 11 abusers living and working there between 1964 and 2004.

The Maryland attorney general's office issued the report during Holy Week — considered the most sacred time of year in Christianity ahead of Easter Sunday — and said the number of victims is probably far higher.

"The staggering pervasiveness of the abuse itself underscores the culpability of the Church hierarchy," the report said. "The sheer number of abusers and victims, the depravity of the abusers' conduct, and the frequency with which known abusers were given the opportunity to continue preying upon children are astonishing."

The disclosure of the redacted findings marks a significant development in an ongoing legal battle over their release and adds to growing evidence from parishes across the country as numerous similar revelations have rocked the Catholic Church in recent years. Also on Wednesday, the state legislature passed a bill to end a statute of limitations on abuse-related civil lawsuits, sending it to the governor.

Maryland Attorney General Anthony Brown said the investigation shows pervasive, pernicious, and persistent abuse. Other investigations involving the Archdiocese of Washington and the Diocese of Wilmington, Del., which include parts of Maryland, are ongoing.

Baltimore Archbishop William Lori, in a statement posted online, apologized to the victims and said the report "details a reprehensible time in the history of this Archdiocese, a time that will not be covered up, ignored, or forgotten."

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MISSOURI STATE HIGHWAY PATROL VIA ASSOCIATED PRESS

A Missouri State Highway Patrol drone captured images of the damage caused by a tornado in Bollinger County, Mo.

Predawn Missouri tornado kills at least five, sows path of destruction

GLEN ALLEN, Mo. — A large tornado tore through southeastern Missouri before dawn on Wednesday, killing at least five people and causing widespread destruction as a broad swath of the Midwest and South kept a wary eye out for further storms that could spawn additional twisters and hail.

Wednesday's severe weather was the third in a series of massive storms over the last two weeks that have spawned dozens of tornadoes, mainly in the South and Midwest, killing at least 63 people.

Just last weekend, confirmed or suspected tornadoes in at least eight states laid waste to neighborhoods across a broad swath of the country.

The Missouri tornado touched down around 3:30 a.m. Wednesday and moved through a rural area of Bollinger County, about 50 miles south of St. Louis, said Sergeant Clark Parrott of the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

Trees were uprooted and homes turned into piles of splinters. One building was flipped on its side. Drone footage showed emergency crews peering into the wreckage with flashlights.

More than 20 agencies had staff members searching for survivors and victims, with the damage so bad that they sometimes were forced to use chainsaws to cut back trees and brush to reach homes, Parrott said.

"It's just heartbreaking to see it," Parrott said.

Justin Gibbs, a National Weather Service meteorologist, said the tornado remained on the ground for roughly 15 minutes, traveling an estimated 15 to 20 miles.

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US grants for pipeline upgrades begin

LAS CRUCES, N.M. — Federal officials announced the first $196 million of grants Wednesday in a $1 billion program to repair and replace aging and sometimes leaking natural gas pipelines across the country.

The Transportation Department and its Pipelines and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration announced that the city of Las Cruces, N.M., will get $10 million as the first grant recipient. Nineteen other communities will also get grants to help upgrade 270 miles of natural gas pipelines, although the government did not identify all the recipients.

Another nearly $400 million of grants will be announced later this year.

The grants, announced by Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg, will be paid for with money from the infrastructure law President Biden's administration is touting in a series of events across the country.

Several of the pipelines that will be repaired or replaced under the program were installed decades ago, and some of them are leaking. Officials estimate that completing these repairs will help reduce methane emissions by roughly 212 metric tons a year.

Aging pipelines have been involved in fatal explosions and massive spills that have occurred over decades in California, Michigan, New Jersey, and other states.

"Investments in pipeline safety are investments in community safety and our shared environment," Pipelines and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration deputy administrator Tristan Brown said.

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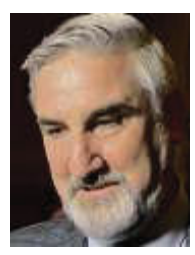
Ind., Idaho ban gender-changing for minors

INDIANAPOLIS — Republican governors in Indiana and Idaho have signed into law bills banning gender transition procedures for minors, making those states the latest to prohibit such procudures.

Governor Eric Holcomb of Indiana on Wednesday signed legislation that will prohibit transgender youth from accessing medication or surgeries to transition, and for those currently taking it to stop by the end of the year. Governor Brad Little of Idaho signed legislation on Tuesday evening that criminalizes gender transition procedures for youth.



Governor Eric Holcomb of Indiana said the procedures are for adults.

More than a dozen other states are considering bills that would prohibit transgender youth from accessing hormone therapies, puberty blockers, and transition surgeries, even after the approval of parents and the advice of doctors.

"Permanent gender-changing surgeries with lifelong impacts and medically prescribed preparation for such a transition should occur as an adult, not as a minor," Holcomb said in a statement about the Indiana bill.

The American Civil Liberties Union of Indiana filed a lawsuit rapidly after Holcomb signed the Indiana legislation, something the group had promised to do after Republican supermajorities advanced the ban this session.

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For the record

■ **Correction:** Because of a reporting error, a page one story Wednesday about the scene outside the Donald Trump arraignment in New York mischaracterized the 1989 Central Park attack of a woman jogger. She was raped and survived the assault. The Globe regrets the error.

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The World

Zelensky boosts ties with Poland in formal visit

Warns of peril, possible pull out from Bakhmut

By Monika Scislowska and Vanessa Gera
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WARSAW — Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky won new pledges of military and economic cooperation Wednesday on a state visit to staunch ally Poland, and he also said that Kyiv's troops battling in the eastern city of Bakhmut could pull out if they face a threat of being encircled by Russian forces.

Polish President Andrzej Duda said Warsaw has provided four Soviet-designed MiG-29 fighter jets to Ukraine, with four more in the process of being handed over and another six being prepared.

At a news conference with his Polish counterpart, Zelensky described the perils in the grinding siege of Bakhmut, which has been all but destroyed by eight months of fighting that also has cost many lives on both sides.

"For me, the most important issue is our military," he said. "And certainly, if there is a moment of even hotter events and the danger that we may lose personnel due to the encirclement, there will certainly be corresponding correct decisions of the general on the ground."

In a recent interview with the Associated Press, Zelensky had underscored the importance of defending Bakhmut, saying its fall could allow Russia to rally world support for a deal that could require Ukraine to make unacceptable compromises.

Russian President Vladimir Putin, meanwhile, said Moscow's relations with Washington are "in deep crisis" as the United States has led its allies in supplying aid and weapons to Ukraine.

Speaking at a ceremony where he accepted diplomatic credentials from ambassadors of 17 nations, including the United States, Putin alleged Washington's support for the 2014 protests in Kyiv that ousted a pro-Kremlin president led to Russia's sending troops into Ukraine.

Zelensky said at his news conference with Duda that his government would "extend a hearty welcome" to Polish businesses seeking to help Ukraine's postwar rebuilding, which the World Bank has estimated could cost $411 billion. He met later with Prime Minister Mateusz Morawiecki and signed agreements on developing infrastructure that opens a door for hundreds of Polish companies.

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President Andrzej Duda of Poland and President Volodymyr Zelensky of Ukraine pledged deeper cooperation Wednesday.

While Zelensky has also traveled to the United States, Britain, France, and Belgium, the trip to Poland stood out because it was announced in advance and undertaken without the secrecy of past foreign trips. It also was the first time Zelensky and first lady Olena Zelenska traveled abroad together since the war began in February 2022, said Marcin Przydacz, head of Duda's foreign policy office.

Zelensky's visit came at a delicate time, when Polish farmers are increasingly angry over Ukrainian grain that has entered the country and created a glut, causing prices to fall. The grain is only meant to be stored temporarily before being sent to markets in North Africa and the Middle East, but farmers say it is taking up space in silos and entering Polish markets, causing local prices to fall. Romanian and Bulgarian farmers have the same complaint.

Zelensky and Morawiecki said they had reached a deal to resolve the problem but gave no details. The issue has been a headache for Morawiecki's government ahead of fall elections.

Daily Briefing

AHMAD GHARABLI/AFP VIA GETTY IMAGES

HOLY SITE FLASHPOINT — Israeli security forces removed Palestinian Muslim worshippers from Al-Aqsa Mosque compound in Jerusalem on Wednesday. Israeli police said they had entered to dislodge "agitators," a move denounced as an "unprecedented crime" by the Islamist movement Hamas. **A4.**

Taliban's prohibiting Afghan women from working at UN is unacceptable, agency says

ISLAMABAD — The United Nations said Wednesday it cannot accept a Taliban decision to bar Afghan female staff members from working at the agency, calling it an "unparalleled" violation of women's rights.

The UN statement came a day after it said that it had been informed by Afghanistan's ruling Taliban that Afghan women would no longer be allowed to work for the organization. That announcement came after the UN mission in the country expressed concern that its female staff members were prevented from reporting to work in Nangarhar province.

The Taliban decision is "an unparalleled violation of women's rights, a flagrant breach of humanitarian principles, and a breach of international rules," Wednesday's statement said. "The UN has therefore instructed all national staff — men and women — not to report to the office until further notice."

Despite initial promises of a more moderate rule than during its previous stint in power in the 1990s, the Taliban have imposed harsh measures since taking over the country in 2021.

Girls are banned from education beyond sixth grade. Women are barred from working, studying, traveling without a male companion, and even going to parks. Women must still cover themselves from head to toe.

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Husband of Scotland's ex-leader arrested

LONDON — The husband of former Scottish first minister and Scottish National Party leader Nicola Sturgeon was released from police custody Wednesday evening without being charged after his arrest in a party finance probe, British media reported.

Police Scotland did not identify Peter Murrell as the person arrested in connection with the ongoing investigation into the funding and finances of the Scottish National Party. However, Britain's Press Association, the BBC, and others reported that the person was Murrell.

Scottish police have been investigating how $750,000 earmarked for a Scottish independence campaign was spent.

Murrell resigned March 18 as the party's chief executive as a bitter contest to replace Sturgeon was unfolding against the backdrop of the police investigation and a controversy about the party's declining membership. He held the position for more than 20 years.

In a Wednesday night update, police said the man arrested in the morning was questioned by detectives and "released without charge pending further investigation."

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South Sudan famine taking a toll

JUBA, South Sudan — Famine-like conditions in South Sudan's southeast have left 13 people dead due to lack of food and water, an aid agency said.

Hundreds more from the country's minority Jie community are on the verge of starvation in the northwestern region of Kapoeta, the Humanitarian Development Consortium said Wednesday.

Thousands of Jie people have been surviving on wild fruits for food with no sustainable water supply as all attempts to drill boreholes in the areas where they live have failed due to low water levels, the aid agency said. In the past, the Jie community had migrated to the Boma area in search of water, but it led to violence.

Years of civil war, famine, floods, and a collapsing economy have taken their toll on South Sudan since the world's newest country gained its independence in 2011. A recent upsurge in numbers of hungry people has created a worrying situation, the agency's executive director, William Ngabonziza, said.

Famine was formally declared in parts of South Sudan in early 2017.

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Assailant kills 4 at Brazil day care center

BLUMENAU, Brazil — A man with a hatchet burst into a day care center Wednesday in Brazil, killing four children, authorities said, in an attack that shook the country and put pressure on the government to curb a rising tide of violence.

At least four other children were wounded in the attack in Blumenau, a city of 366,000 in southern Brazil.

The assailant, who got inside by jumping over a wall, turned himself in at a police station, officials said. He did not appear to have any connection with the center, which offers nursery services, preschool education, and after-school activities. The dead were between the ages of 5 and 7, authorities said. Authorities were searching for a motive, the police detective leading the investigation, Ronnie Esteves, told television reporters.

Hours after the attack, the justice and education ministers pledged to invest in new violence-prevention efforts.

The state's civil police chief, Ulisses Gabriel, confirmed that the attacker was a 25-year-old man from neighboring Parana state. He will be charged with murder and attempted murder.

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A woman held her child outside a private day care center in Blumenau, Brazil, after a man killed four children there.

Macron, in China, says he'll urge Xi to work for peace

Aims to engage Beijing to help end Ukraine war

By Roger Cohen
NEW YORK TIMES

BEIJING — President Emmanuel Macron of France, speaking at the start of a three-day visit to China, said Wednesday that Beijing could play a "major role" in bringing peace to Ukraine and made clear that he would urge the Chinese president, Xi Jinping, to get deeply involved in this effort.

His aim over meetings Thursday and Friday with Xi was to "relaunch a strategic and global partnership with China" and so engage the country in a "shared responsibility for peace and international stability," Macron said.

Addressing a gathering of the French community in Beijing, Macron insisted that the differences over political systems that make Europe and China "rivals" should not lead to the "decoupling" and "escalating tensions" that some regard as inevitable.

"I do not believe, and do not want to believe, in this scenario," he said.

President Volodymyr Zelensky of Ukraine said last month that China could "become a partner" in the quest for a settlement, but Xi has not responded to his readiness to speak.

"It would be a good thing to speak to Mr. Zelensky," Macron, who will meet Xi for a total of more than six hours starting Thursday, said in remarks to the journalists accompanying him. Such a conversation, he said, would give Chinese authorities a means to "form a complete opinion" of the conflict, and he urged "a deepening dialogue with Mr. Zelensky."

Macron is clearly determined to carve out an independent position, one more conciliatory toward China than the American one, at a moment when relations between Beijing and Washington are at their lowest point in decades. Europe's hard-hit economy needs the Chinese market, and European "strategic autonomy" is a long-sought goal for Macron.

This ambition has sometimes antagonized the United States. But if the French leader can exploit daylight between China and Russia over the Ukraine war, which appears unlikely given the two countries' declaration of a "no-limits" friendship, he will have achieved something that is broadly in the United States' strategic interest: a faster end to the war and a weakening of the Chinese-Russian bond.

Macron told journalists that a conversation with President Biden shortly before his departure had reviewed "the elements through which it seemed useful to reengage China" on the Ukraine conflict.

THIBAULT CAMUS/ASSOCIATED PRESS

French President Emmanuel Macron spoke to the French community Wednesday in Beijing, before a state visit.

He did not elaborate, but it appeared he had won at least grudging American acceptance for his peace-through-China push.

In the run-up to the Ukraine war and its early weeks, Macron clearly believed he had some leverage over Russian President Vladimir Putin that might avert or curtail the conflict.

That conviction, formed over several conversations between the two men, proved to be unfounded.

Just over a year later, he has turned his focus to China, which has never condemned the Russian invasion or used the word "war" to describe it and has under Xi pursued an ever-more-aggressive anti-Western policy.

Asked about the potential Chinese provision of arms to Russia, a development the United States has worked hard to prevent, Macron said, "We decided since the start of the conflict to help the attacked country and clearly indicated that anyone helping the aggressor would become an accomplice to the violation of international law."

Still, he said, he had no intention of talking to Xi about potential sanctions against China because "threatening is never a good way to engage."

China's 12-point plan to resolve the Ukraine conflict, presented in February, had some problematic elements but indicated Xi's readiness to be involved in peace efforts, Macron suggested.

As two of the five permanent members of the United Nations Security Council, France and China were bound to defend the UN Charter against the "imperialist" and "colonial" war waged by Russia in Ukraine, Macron argued.

Article 2 of the charter says that countries must refrain from the "use of force against the territorial integrity or political independence of any state."

However, Russia, another permanent member, currently holds the presidency of the Security Council, adding to the intractability of the war.

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IN PRAYER — Tamang community people performed rituals during the Temal festival at Boudhanath Stupa in Kathmandu, Nepal, on Wednesday. During this festival, people from the Tamang community gather in nearby monasteries or stupas and light butter lamps to pay homage to their loved ones who have passed away.

Violence resumes at Islamic holy site

Strife prompts shells from Gaza

By Isabel Debre and Fares Akram
ASSOCIATED PRESS

JERUSALEM — Violence resumed for a second-straight night in Jerusalem Wednesday when Palestinian worshipers barricaded themselves inside Al-Aqsa Mosque at the Old City's sensitive compound and Israeli police used force to take dozens of worshippers out.

The tension in Jerusalem also prompted rocket fire from the Gaza Strip on Wednesday night.

The fighting, which comes as Muslims mark the holy month of Ramadan and Jews began Passover, raised fears of a wider conflagration.

The Palestinian Red Crescent reported that at least six people were injured in the latest violence. The Islamic Waqf authorities, who manage the compound, said police fired stun grenades and rubber bullets to disperse the crowds.

The Israeli police said that "dozens of law-breaking juveniles" had fomented chaos, throwing rocks and other objects at officers and compelling police to act to restore "security, law, and order."

More Palestinians had gathered in the mosque, responding to calls by Waqf to pray inside overnight. At one of the mosque entrances, police officers could be seen escorting dozens of Palestinians out of the compound. Residents and shoppers milled around, watching social media videos on their phones showing the renewed clashes that had happened just yards away.

It was the second time that Israeli police had stormed the Al-Aqsa Mosque. Palestinian militants in Gaza responded with rocket fire on southern Israel, prompting repeated Israeli airstrikes.

The violence had calmed by early Wednesday morning, but in the evening, Palestinian militants fired two more rockets from Gaza, with one falling short inside Gaza and the other falling near the security fence separating Gaza from Israel, the Israeli military said. There were no reports of casualties.

The mosque is in a hilltop compound sacred to both Jews and Muslims, and conflicting claims over it have spilled into violence before, including a bloody 11-day war between Israel and Hamas, the Islamic militant group that rules Gaza. Al-Aqsa is the third-holiest site in Islam and stands in a spot known to Jews as the Temple Mount, which is the holiest site in Judaism.

Palestinian militant groups warned that further confrontation was coming, but a Palestinian official said the Palestinian Authority was in contact with officials in Egypt, Jordan, the United States, and at the United Nations to deescalate the situation. He spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to brief the media.

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said the country was working to "calm tensions" at the holy site.

People who were detained at the compound and later released said police used batons, chairs, rifles, and whatever else they could find to strike Palestinians, including women and children, who responded by hurling stones and setting off firecrackers that they'd brought to evening prayers for fear of possible clashes. Outside the mosque's gate, police dispersed crowds of young men with stun grenades and rubber bullets.

Medics from the Palestinian Red Crescent said that at least 50 people were injured. Israeli police said they were not immediately able to confirm the reports and videos showing officers beating Palestinians but said 350 were arrested. They added that one officer was injured in the leg.

The Israeli military said one soldier was shot and wounded.

Speaker McCarthy meets with Tsai, backing Taiwan

Move comes amid rising China tensions

By Karoun Demirjian and Chris Buckley
NEW YORK TIMES

SIMI VALLEY, Calif.— Speaker Kevin McCarthy on Wednesday pledged to deepen alliances between the United States and Taiwan amid rising tensions with China, using a visit with President Tsai Ing-wen to underscore American solidarity with the island and a willingness to confront Beijing as it expands its global influence.

The gathering at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library was a chance for McCarthy, whose position puts him second in line to the presidency, and Tsai to demonstrate the close ties between the United States and Taiwan in a tacit challenge to China. The summit came as leaders of Western nations were wrestling with how to approach an increasingly assertive Beijing.

"The friendships between the people of Taiwan and America is a matter of profound importance to the free world, and it is critical to maintain economic freedom, peace, and regional stability," said McCarthy, a California Republican who is the highest-ranking government official to have met with a Taiwanese president on US soil since Washington established diplomatic relations with Beijing. "We will honor our obligations and reiterate our commitment to our shared values, behind which all Americans are united."

The gathering, which included a formal luncheon, is in some ways a backtrack by McCarthy, who promised during the midterm elections that if he were elected speaker, he would travel to Taiwan to meet with Tsai in a show of defiance to China. McCarthy's predecessor, Nancy Pelosi of California, did so last year when she was the House speaker.

Instead, McCarthy and Tsai opted for a meeting in the United States that was considered the less-risky option to Washington and Taipei. Leaders in both capitals are trying to balance a desire to shore up Taiwan's ties with the United States, its most powerful partner, against an interest in avoiding steps that might prompt aggressive military encroachments from Beijing.

Tsai praised the members of Congress who received her for "their presence and unwavering support," adding that it served to "reassure the people of Taiwan that we are not isolated and we are not alone."

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Speaker Kevin McCarthy and Taiwan President Tsai Ing-wen met at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library Wednesday.

Some Western leaders are pursuing divergent strategies toward China in light of the nation's expanding global influence, such as Beijing's success brokering a deal last month to reestablish diplomatic relations between Saudi Arabia and Iran, and its recent efforts to provide strategic support to aid Russia in its invasion of Ukraine.

In the United States, the default approach has been an aggressive one. The Biden administration has imposed restrictions on exports to China of materials related to the semiconductor industry, and lawmakers have clamored for more punishing crackdowns, particularly in recent weeks after a Chinese spy balloon traversed US air space.

But some of Washington's European allies have taken a more conciliatory course. On Wednesday, as Tsai met with lawmakers in California, President Emmanuel Macron of France visited Beijing to meet with Chinese leaders, appealing to them as a responsible power that could help settle global conflicts and even bring peace to Ukraine.

China has so far not indicated how it plans to respond to the competing gestures. While Beijing has condemned Tsai's visit to the United States, officials there have not announced major military exercises around Taiwan. They may want to avoid a repeat of the crisis after Pelosi's visit, when Beijing canceled several diplomatic, military, and climate policy engagements with the United States and held days of military exercises in seven live-fire zones around Taiwan.

Yet McCarthy, who has frequently accused President Biden of being insufficiently tough on China, is also eager to demonstrate how forceful he is willing to be in challenging Beijing. His decision to meet with Taiwan's president so early in his tenure could still escalate tensions with China, where leaders regard such high-level meetings — wherever they occur — as an affront to their claim to the island.

"China has to prevent this from becoming a routine, or annual, meeting between the Taiwan president and the House speaker," said Bonny Lin, a former director for China and Taiwan policy at the Pentagon, who runs the China Power Project at the Center for Strategic and International Studies. "Regardless of which soil it's happening on, it's still a meeting with the speaker of the House, and in person."

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China submits data on DNA at Wuhan market

It is still unclear how the COVID pandemic began

By Benjamin Mueller
NEW YORK TIMES

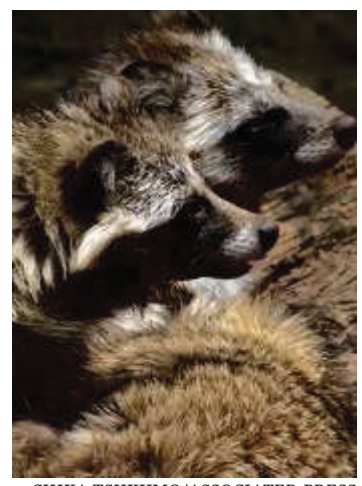
Chinese government scientists on Wednesday published a long-awaited study about a market in the city of Wuhan, acknowledging that animals susceptible to the coronavirus were there around the time the virus emerged. But the scientists also said that it remained unclear how the pandemic began.

The study, published in the journal Nature, focused on swabs taken from surfaces in early 2020 at the Huanan Seafood Wholesale Market, a large market where many of the earliest known COVID patients had worked or shopped. The Chinese scientists had posted an early version of their genetic analysis of those samples in February 2022, but at the time downplayed the possibility of animal infections at the market.

The scientists, many of whom are affiliated with the Chinese Center for Disease Control and Prevention, also wanted to publish their data in a peer-reviewed journal. And as part of that process, the scientists uploaded more genetic sequence data to a large international database, the administrators of the database said last month.

A few weeks after the data became public, a team of international scientists who had been studying the origins of the pandemic said they stumbled upon the sequences. They found that samples testing positive for the coronavirus contained genetic material belonging to animals, including large amounts that were a match for the raccoon dog, a fluffy mammal sold for fur and meat that was known to be able to spread the coronavirus.

That analysis, the subject of a report posted online in late March, did not prove that a raccoon dog itself was infected or that animals gave the virus to people. But it established that raccoon dogs deposited their genetic signatures in the same place where genetic material from the virus was left.



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Chinese data show raccoon dogs were at the market in Wuhan around the time the coronavirus first appeared.

Many virologists said that scenario was consistent with one in which the virus spilled into people from an illegally traded wild animal at the market.

It appeared that the international team's analysis sped up the release of the Chinese scientists' study about the same data: The article appeared on Wednesday on Nature's website with a note saying that it had been accepted for publication, but was still an "early version" and had not yet been edited.

Several authors of the article affiliated with the Chinese CDC, William J. Liu, George Gao, and Guizhen Wu, did not respond to requests for comment.

In their first version of the article from February 2022, the Chinese authors did not mention finding any genetic material from raccoon dogs in the market swabs, which were taken from walls, floors, metal cages, and carts. Beyond that, they said that the data did not point to any infected animals.

But in Wednesday's version a little more than a year later, they wrote that the study "confirmed the existence of raccoon dogs" and other animals susceptible to the coronavirus at the market.

Many scientists believe that the existing evidence points to those animals likely acting as intermediate hosts for the virus, which probably originated in bats. But they also say the evidence does not rule out a scenario in which people gave the virus to animals at the market.

For the international scientists who had first reported finding signs of raccoon dogs in the COVID-positive swabs last month, the latest Nature study left a number of important questions unanswered about the methods used by the Chinese team to analyze the sequences.

Still, the publication, as well as an earlier version of it posted online by the Chinese scientists last week, did supply critical new data, including the number of swabs taken from each stall in the market, said Alexander Crits-Christoph, a researcher and computational biologist at Johns Hopkins University who helped lead the international team's analysis.

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California ski resorts plan longer summer ski season

Historic snow records prove a boon for area

By Amudalat Ajasa
WASHINGTON POST

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Skiers and snowboarders enjoyed Mammoth Mountain ski resort in the Sierra Nevada mountains recently.

Summer tourists normally pack swimsuits and sunscreen to visit California's sandy beaches, but many may be loading ski coats and snow boots this year.

Ski resorts across Central and Northern California are now extending their season late into the summer months in the wake of historic winter snowfall.

Many locations in the Sierra Nevada range have now accumulated more than 700 inches of snow this season — cementing this year as one of the top two snowiest winters on record.

Mammoth Mountain, a resort in the eastern Sierra Nevada, has been continuously blanketed by heaps of heavy snow. Some homes near the mountain are completely buried — only the tops of basketball hoops visible. The resort had its snowiest season on record, beating the previous record set in 2010, after receiving 704 inches this season. And the snow is still piling up.

When Lauren Burke looks out of her third-story office window, the Mammoth Mountain communications director can just see over the mound of snow.

"This means that we're going to have the best spring skiing that we've ever seen," Burke said.

The ski resort, which is open until at least the end of May each year, plans to keep its slopes open until the end of July. It has been six years since the slopes stayed open at least that late. In 2017, Mammoth stayed open until early August after a seasonal total of 617 inches.

"It is the Mammoth way to stay open as long as conditions allow," Burke said. "If we can be skiing in the summer every year, that's what we're going to do."

Some years, mild temperatures in January and February bring sun that eats away at the snowpack. But this year has been "the exact opposite," Burke said.

Last winter, a much milder season, produced only 260 inches at Mammoth, which then closed in early June. The resort's average seasonal snowfall is about 400 inches.

At Palisades Tahoe ski area, about 130 miles to the northwest of Mammoth, slopes will stay open through Independence Day, its longest season in four years.

The resort, which calls itself "the spring skiing capital," has received 698 inches, or about 58 feet — its second-most snowfall on record. Mammoth public relations manager Patrick Lacey believes this year is on track to surpass the record of 707 inches.

"We're buried out here but at the same time, we're loving it," Lacey said.

Last year, Palisades Tahoe saw below-average snowfall, which forced it to close doors on Memorial Day. The year before that, the mountain got only 281 inches — a little more than half of its average.

The snow has kept coming as spring has overtaken winter — and it started on the early side, too.

Across Lake Tahoe, both Heavenly Mountain Resort and Northstar California — all a part of Vail resorts — opened weeks early. Kirkwood Mountain Resort, on the south side of the lake, opened nearly a month ahead of schedule.

Now, Heavenly and Northstar are both close to surpassing their all-time snowfall records; Heavenly is just 2 inches away from its record of 564 inches.

Heavenly has already doubled its season average, and added three extra weeks to its calendar, while Northstar — with 649 inches — is close. Northstar extended its season by two weekends. After more snow this week, Kirkwood's seasonal total is now 704 inches. Kirkwood was scheduled to close at the end of April, but the resort extended its season until mid-May.

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For Trump, Georgia case could be more perilous

Vote-tampering charges may come in a few weeks

By Holly Bailey
WASHINGTON POST

Donald Trump's appearance in a Manhattan courtroom Tuesday marked a historic moment in American history — the first time a former or sitting president has been indicted on criminal charges.

►No path to presidency for Trump, says Chris Sununu. B1.

His legal peril is far from over. Among those closely watching the proceedings were state and local officials in Georgia, where Fulton County District Attorney Fani T. Willis is expected to announce in coming weeks whether she will file charges in connection to efforts by Trump and his allies to overturn the state's 2020 presidential election results.

Willis, a Democrat, has not spoken publicly about Trump's criminal indictment in New York, and a spokesman declined to comment. But close observers of Willis believe the New York case is unlikely to change the legal trajectory of her more than two-year investigation into alleged election interference in Georgia, a case that has already drawn intense public scrutiny and political attacks from Trump.

Many legal experts believe the case in Georgia is more perilous to Trump. However she decides to proceed, Willis will have to sell her case not only to Atlanta-area voters but to the broader American public at a volatile moment when public sentiment about a potential Trump prosecution could be shaped by the Manhattan legal proceedings.

"Certainly, she will have political considerations to make. All prosecutors do," said Anthony Michael Kreis, a Georgia State University law professor who has closely monitored the Fulton County investigation. "But I think (Willis) probably sees it the way that I think many other people do, which is her case is more important than New York. It has more social meaning and is important for the preservation of democracy in a way that the New York case does not have that same kind of underlying theme."

In New York, Trump is facing criminal charges stemming from an investigation into a hush money payment he reportedly made through an intermediary to an adult-film actress who threatened to go public about an alleged affair.

In Georgia, the investigation is far more sprawling, involving principals that include not only Trump and some of his closest advisers but a litany of prominent Republicans -- former New York mayor Rudy Giuliani, Senator Lindsey O. Graham of South Carolina, and several top Georgia officials, including Republican Governor Brian Kemp, who were the targets of Trump's lobbying to overturn Joe Biden's narrow victory in the state.

Trump, who continues to maintain the 2020 election in Georgia was "stolen," has repeatedly denied any wrongdoing. He has attacked Willis, who is Black, as the "racist D.A. from Atlanta'' and repeatedly described her investigation as a "political witch hunt."

"In the wings, they've got a local racist Democrat district attorney from Atlanta who is doing everything in her power to indict me over an absolutely perfect phone call," Trump told supporters gathered at Mar-a-Lago on Tuesday night in his first public remarks since his New York arraignment.

Echoing a legal argument his lawyers made recently in the Fulton County case, Trump added, "This fake case was brought only to interfere with the upcoming 2024 election, and it should be dropped immediately."

Mindful of the legal stakes of a case involving a former president, prosecutors have been reviewing a large volume of evidence, including the audio of at least three phone calls Trump made to Georgia officials, as well as e-mails, text messages, and other documents obtained by a special-purpose grand jury that was seated last year to investigate the matter.

Seventy-five witnesses appeared before the grand jury, including Giuliani, Graham, former White House chief of staff Mark Meadows, and other top Trump allies.

Pence won't appeal ruling that he testify in Jan. 6 inquiry

POLITICAL NOTEBOOK

Former vice president Mike Pence will not appeal a judge's ruling that requires him to testify in front of a grand jury exploring the Jan. 6, 2021, attack on the US Capitol, a spokesman said, likely setting up a pivotal moment in the special counsel investigation related to former president Donald Trump's efforts to overturn the 2020 election.

Pence's decision means he will probably testify under oath about Trump's attempts to pressure him, and he could be a key witness. A date for his testimony is not settled, though it is likely to be later this month, an adviser said.

The decision comes as Trump is pursuing the 2024 Republican presidential nomination and ahead of an expected bid by Pence to challenge him. Pence's testimony could add to Trump's mounting legal exposure as the nominating process unfolds.

Pence spokesman Devin O'Malley said in a statement that Pence felt vindicated by a portion of the judge's ruling that he can remain silent on topics that deal specifically with his role in Congress on Jan. 6, 2021, when a formal tabulation of the presidential election results was interrupted by a violent pro-Trump mob.

Many of Pence's top advisers have already testified to the investigators probing the attack.

WASHINGTON POST

Trump calls on Congress to defund FBI, Justice Dept.

A day after being arraigned in a Manhattan courtroom on state charges, former president Donald Trump said Wednesday that the Republican-led Congress should "defund" the Justice Department and FBI "until they come to their senses."

Trump's comments, in a post on Truth Social, his social media site, echoed those of some Republicans, most notably Representative Jim Jordan of Ohio, chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, who said on Sunday that Congress should "limit funds going to some of these agencies" in retaliation for their treatment of Trump.

Neither the Justice Department nor the FBI is directly involved in Trump's criminal prosecution by Manhattan District Attorney Alvin Bragg, who has accused the Trump of falsifying business records 34 times.

The agencies, however, played a role in an earlier investigation of the episode and are key to other ongoing Trump investigations, including his retention of classified documents from his presidency at his Mar-a-Lago estate in Palm Beach, Fla., and his role in the Jan. 6, 2021, insurrection.

WASHINGTON POST

Judge backs testimony of Murdoch in defamation case

The witness list for the Fox News $1.6 billion defamation trial now has more big names than a prime-time lineup.

Rupert and Lachlan Murdoch could be forced to testify in person, the judge overseeing the trial said Wednesday.

Other high-profile Fox employees expected to testify in the case, which was brought by Dominion Voting Systems, include hosts Tucker Carlson, Sean Hannity, and Bret Baier.

In a pretrial hearing Wednesday, Judge Eric Davis of Delaware Superior Court said that if Dominion issued a subpoena for Rupert Murdoch, the chair of Fox Corp., and other corporate officers, he "would compel them to come."

Lawyers for Dominion have indicated that they want Murdoch to testify, as well as his son Lachlan, the CEO of Fox. Dominion said it might also call Viet Dinh, Fox's chief legal officer, and Paul Ryan, a Fox board member, to the stand.

Dominion, which makes electronic voting technology, has accused Fox of knowingly broadcasting falsehoods about the company's software and linking it to voter fraud in the 2020 presidential election. Fox has denied the accusations. The trial is scheduled to begin April 17.

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CURRENCY OF TULIPS — Dale Haney, chief White House groundskeeper, took a photo of the "Jill Biden" tulip before a ceremony formally naming the flower in the first lady's honor at the Netherlands Embassy in Washington Wednesday.

To Trump backers, it's a case of divine persecution

For the most devoted Trump conspiracy theorists, there are no coincidences and timing is everything.

So when ex-president Donald Trump was arraigned Tuesday on charges that he falsified business records to obscure hush money payments in an effort to influence the 2016 election, some of his most ardent followers quickly noted the court appearance came during Christianity's most sacred week, Holy Week.

"Seems there was someone else who was tortured and crucified this week," read one post on Gab, a platform popular with Trump supporters. A similar post on Telegram put Trump's case in apocalyptic terms: "Good vs Evil. Biblical times. Divine timing."

Comparisons likening Trump to Christ were among the top online narratives about the Republican former president and his criminal charges circulating in the last several days, according to an analysis of online and social media content by Zignal Labs, a media intelligence firm.

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Abrams to join faculty at Howard University

Stacey Abrams, the former two-time candidate for Georgia governor, voting rights activist, and author, is joining the faculty of Howard University, the historically Black college in the nation's capital said Wednesday.

Abrams will be the inaugural Ronald W. Walters Endowed Chair for Race and Black Politics. She expects to start the multiyear appointment in September. "We are entering an inflection point in American politics where the conversation of race and Black politics will be a central facet," Abrams said, "and having the chance to help guide part of the conversation for young people who are studying at Howard University is an exceptional opportunity."

Walters, a leading scholar of politics and race who was a professor at Howard for 25 years, organized one of the country's first lunch-counter sit-ins in Kansas in 1958 and decades later advised Jesse Jackson's presidential campaigns.

Abrams became nationally known for energizing reluctant voters and building support for Democratic candidates.

WASHINGTON POST

Biden to visit N. Ireland to celebrate accord anniversary

President Biden will travel next week to Northern Ireland to mark the 25th anniversary of a landmark peace accord there before heading to Ireland, his ancestral homeland, as part of a four-day trip, the White House formally announced Wednesday.

Biden plans to head to Belfast on Tuesday to "mark the tremendous progress" since the signing of the US-brokered Good Friday Agreement, which largely ended 30 years of sectarian violence between pro-Ireland Catholics and pro-Britain Protestants, the White House said.

His trip will come a week before a host of top leaders — including King Charles III, British Prime Minister Rishi Sunak, former president Bill Clinton, and former secretary of state Hillary Clinton — plan to be in Belfast for the official anniversary celebrations of a deal brokered during Clinton's presidency.

WASHINGTON POST

RFK Jr. reveals plans to seek presidential nomination

Democrat Robert F. Kennedy Jr., an antivaccine activist and scion of one of the country's most famous political families, is running for president.

Kennedy filed a statement of candidacy Wednesday with the Federal Election Commission.

The 69-year-old's campaign to challenge President Biden for the Democratic nomination is a long shot. Self-help author Marianne Williamson is also running in the Democratic race.

Kennedy, a nephew of President John F. Kennedy and the son of his slain brother Robert F. Kennedy, was a bestselling author and environmental lawyer.

But he has emerged as one of the leading voices in the antivaccine movement, and his work has been described by public health experts and even members of his own family as misleading and dangerous.

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From a grim N.Y. state of mind to the ebullience of Mar-a-Largo

Ex-president finds his voice — and adulation

By Isaac Arnsdorf and Josh Dawsey
WASHINGTON POST

PALM BEACH, Fla. — Donald Trump spent much of Tuesday in an unfamiliar position, at the mercy of others: whisked around Manhattan by the Secret Service; getting fingerprinted in the custody of the district attorney; sitting still and quietly before a judge. He was the center of attention, but not the master of ceremonies, almost entirely silent beyond uttering "not guilty" in court and blasting out all-caps posts on his social media site.

But as soon as the former president returned home, to his namesake ballroom filled with his adoring fans, he was a rock star again, and he snapped back to his usual combative posture, lashing out at the prosecutor and judge in personal terms, despite the latter's admonition Tuesday to watch his words.

In contrast to the scowl Trump wore all day, his seething speech was delivered to an ebullient crowd, packed with the "Front Row Joes" who frequent every rally, a group of bikers wearing "Born to Ride for Donald J. Trump" leather vests, longtime adviser Roger Stone, and a handful of loyal lawmakers, such as Representatives Matthew M. Rosendale of Montana and Ronny Jackson of Texas. Other prominent Republicans, such as senators and national committee members, passed on the invitation, billed as a "memorable and historic evening!"

"It's weird to see all these people celebrating," said Caroline Wren, a pro-Trump fundraiser who attended with Kari Lake, the unsuccessful Arizona gubernatorial candidate and election denier who received chants of "Kari Won!" "Who has a baby shower, we need to have an arraignment party."

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Former president Donald Trump arrived at his estate in Mar-a-Lago, Fla., after his arraignment.

The split-screen highlighted the two worlds Trump is spanning as he makes a third straight bid for the presidency: one in which he is a defiant political hero and early polling leader for the 2024 Republican nomination, and another in which he is in increasing legal peril.

Hours after Trump pleaded not guilty to 34 felony counts related to alleged payments intended to silence an adult-film actress during his 2016 presidential run, his event here Tuesday night was set up like a wedding, with a center aisle down which Trump was preceded by Donald Trump Jr. and his fiancee, Kimberly Guilfoyle; daughter Tiffany Trump and her husband; Representative Matt Gaetz of Florida and his wife; Representative Marjorie Taylor Greene of Georgia; and Eric Trump and wife, Lara.

MyPillow CEO and election conspiracy theorist Mike Lindell entered to cheers during the theme from "Phantom of the Opera." Some campaign advisers who'd traveled with Trump to New York walked in to David Bowie's "Rebel Rebel."

Trump's wife, Melania, whose wedding was the ballroom's inaugural event in 2005, did not appear on Tuesday.

Lake, speaking from the Mar-a-Lago ballroom to the Right Side Broadcasting Network, said Trump's spirits were lifted by the crowds who came out to see him, and he raised his fist upon returning to the club, repeating the gesture he made earlier while leaving Trump Tower for court in New York. Trump traveled with a large coterie of aides, some of whom tried to cheer him up by showing him tweets, statements, and interviews criticizing the indictment by Manhattan District Attorney Alvin Bragg.

He did not bring reporters on the plane, as he has to recent campaign stops, and he did not approach the cameras to make a statement while heading in or out of court. One of his lawyers, Todd Blanche, characterized him as "absolutely frustrated and upset and believes there is a grave injustice happening with him being in this courtroom today."

When he spoke Tuesday night, Trump did not back off his attacks, calling presiding Judge Juan Merchan "a Trump-hating judge with a Trump-hating wife and family."

"I never thought anything like this could happen in America. Never thought it could happen," Trump said in a speech that mostly repeated his standard stump material. "The only crime that I have committed is to fearlessly defend our nation from those who seek to destroy it."

'I think women should have a right to choose. It's a much larger issue than I think most people think about at first glance.'

JANET PROTASIEWICZ

Democrats see the value of focus on abortion

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roughly 11-point win over a conservative opponent on Tuesday, marking a smashing victory for Wisconsin Democrats in a state where margins for statewide candidates are usually much tighter. With ideological control of the court on the line, her strategy of being explicit about her support for abortion rights — a departure from the staid nonpartisan nature of judicial races of yore — appealed to voters such as Kepner, who hope she will be part of a majority willing to throw out the old ban.

The win, secured by heavy turnout in the state's liberal cities and a strong showing in its divided suburbs, offers new evidence of how deeply the United States Supreme Court reshaped politics when it kicked decisions about abortion back to the states.

"It shows that abortion is very much a motivating issue for Democrats in a state where this is an unsettled question," said Jessica Taylor, the Senate and governors editor of the Cook Political Report, who emphasized the impact on local and state races. "The more Democrats can force Republicans into playing defense on this, I think, the better."

Democrats are eager to apply the lessons of Wisconsin to swing states in 2024 and beyond, and they will have several opportunities coming up. Abortion will likely play a major role in next year's governor's race in North Carolina, where abortions are legal before 20 weeks of pregnancy. The recent decision by a state house Democrat to change parties will give Republicans the supermajority they need to sustain a veto on any new abortion restrictions from term-limited Governor Roy Cooper, a Democrat.

North Carolina Democratic Attorney General Josh Stein, who frequently touts his support for abortion rights, has already announced a campaign for governor; the antiabortion Lieutenant Governor Mark Robinson, a Republican, is expected to do so soon. In Ohio, abortion rights proponents are launching an effort to circumvent the state's Republican leadership and put a constitutional amendment protecting reproductive rights on the November ballot.

It could also be a key issue in the Republican presidential primary. Former president Donald Trump, the front-runner, nominated three of the Supreme Court justices who voted to overturn Roe. More recently, however, he blamed Republicans' handling of the issue for underperformance in the midterms and has been quiet about abortion on the campaign trail. The Republican base is deeply opposed to abortion, and some Republican primary candidates such as former vice president Mike Pence are hoping to capture those voters by making their opposition clear. Governor Ron DeSantis of Florida has indicated he supports the six-week abortion ban that recently passed the Florida Senate. Those positions, however, could make it difficult for them to build support in the general election, since a majority of the broader electorate supports legalized abortion in all or most cases, according to multiple polls.

"The truly unfortunate thing in terms of policy is that Republicans have not learned any lessons here. They do not seem to be moving towards where voters are," said Christina Reynolds, vice president of communications for Emily's List, a group that supports abortion rights and one that made its first-ever endorsement in a judicial race this year, for Protasiewicz. "As they continue to do that, you know, we will continue to remind voters of what's at stake."

The 1849 abortion ban, which Democrats here are quick to point out was passed before women had the right to vote, contains exceptions only for the life of the mother. Republicans who control the Legislature have tried to muster support to add exceptions for circumstances such as rape or incest, but failed to do so.

That raised the stakes for a race that could determine another monumental issue hanging over the Wisconsin court: deeply gerrymandered legislative districts that Democrats intend to challenge, which could substantially alter the political balance of power in the state.

"If this was even a raging fire, all the Dobbs decision did was pour gasoline on top of it, so now it's an inferno," said Joe Zepecki, a Democratic consultant in the state.

With a majority of Wisconsin residents opposed to overturning Roe, according to polls, and following statewide victories for Democrats as the issue loomed in Michigan and Pennsylvania, as well as Wisconsin, during the midterms, Democrats set out to make it a key focus of the race.

"Wisconsin's abortion ban is astonishingly unpopular, but would be rubber-stamped by a conservative majority here," said Ben Wikler, chair of the Democratic Party of Wisconsin, in an interview last week.

Protasiewicz 's first two campaign ads, released in January, both emphasized her support for women to decide for themselves about abortion.

"I think women should have a right to choose," Protasiewicz said in the last full week of the race in Milwaukee, emphasizing the effects of the abortion ban more broadly on health care. "It's a much larger issue than I think most people think about at first glance."

Protasiewicz drew enormous fund-raising hauls from Democrats and liberal groups. The conservative in the race, former Supreme Court justice Dan Kelly, was more circumspect about his views, telling supporters at campaign stops that impartial judges should not weigh in on political matters. But Protasiewicz frequently pointed out that he was endorsed by antiabortion groups.

The Women Speak Out PAC, an antiabortion group aligned with the Susan B. Anthony List that spent heavily on the race, according to the Guardian, called the results of the Wisconsin election "disappointing" and accused Democrats of wanting to impose "court-ordered abortion on demand without limit."

The group also seemed to suggest Kelly should have been more clear about his views on abortion.

"The issue of abortion is not going away — but Republican candidates who ignore the issue will if they don't speak directly to Americans with clarity and drive a contrast. Allowing their Democratic opponents and the radical pro-abortion lobby to control the narrative will never win them elections," the statement said.

Running on abortion did not work for Democrats everywhere. In the Milwaukee suburbs, Democrat Jodi Habush Sinykin lost a squeaker of a state Senate election to state Representative Dan Knodl. Knodl's victory will give Republicans a veto-proof supermajority in the Senate. But the tight margin — 1,300 votes at last count — in a district that Republicans have held for decades exceeded expectations.

"To be . . . at the mercy of a GOP supermajority that is going to instead rely on an 1849 criminal abortion ban couldn't be more illustrative of how we are not being fairly represented," she said last week.

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Republican Dan Kelly, who was defeated, had told supporters at campaign stops that impartial judges should not weigh in on political matters.

Hip replacements aren't just for older people anymore

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A widely quoted statistic comes from the National Hospital Discharge Survey, which looked at total hip replacements among inpatients age 45 and older, and found that the greatest increase in the rate of the procedure was among the 45-54 group. Over the 11-year period covered by the survey (from 2000 to 2010, the most recent data available), the rate more than doubled, from 45 replacements per 100,000 people to 117 per 100,000.

In Boston, Atrius Health surgeon Georges Almacari is increasingly seeing younger patients at New England Baptist Hospital and the other hospitals where he operates.

Half of his hip-replacement patients are now between 45 and 60, he said, a "dramatic" shift from when he started practicing in 2003 and the average age was between 67 and 75.

"Their body image is very important to them," he said. "They say, 'My wife is telling me I'm always limping. I cannot be limping in my office.' "

On TikTok, a video titled "total hip replacement vibes" and set to the viral song "Heat Waves" has 2.5 million views. Look, there's the youthful patient looking telegenic as she rises from a bed with the help of a walker, and uses crutches to walk down stairs.

What the heck is going on with our hips? Were earlier generations of middle-aged people hardier — willing to live with more pain? Is some kind of copycat situation going on?

Crucially, improvement in the surgical technique and implant materials over the past decade and a half or so means that total hip replacements are lasting longer.

In 9 out of 10 patients, the replaced hip is still functioning well after 20 years, compared with 10 to 15 years in the past, said Dr. Young-Min Kwon, a hip- and knee-replacement surgeon and the vice chair of the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery at Massachusetts General Hospital.

He emphasized that even in younger and more active patients — a group that used to wear out their replacement hips faster — recent data from the American Joint Replacement Registry shows that 99 percent of patients younger than 65 have well-functioning total hip replacements after nearly a decade.

The longer-lasting replacement hips have led to a change in mindset: from holding out as long as possible so you won't need to have a second procedure, to doing it when it becomes clear that less invasive remedies — physical therapy, topical or oral pain relievers, weight loss, cortisone injections — are not enough, said orthopedic surgeon Matthew Harb who is affiliated with Johns Hopkins Sibley Memorial Hospital and goes by @thebonesurgeon on Instagram.

Consider Anne Conlon, a 59-year-old senior operations associate at Morgan Stanley in Boston. She's getting her left hip done in April, and was told by her surgeon that it would probably last her "lifetime."

That was good news, she said, although it also made her focus on her mortality. "Realistically," she said, laughing nervously, "the 'rest of my life' is not going to be super long. It's not like I'm 20."

Hip replacements have also gotten more attractive for younger people as the procedure and hospital stays have gotten shorter. In some cases, patients don't even spend the night. "It's the way to feel young," said a 62-year-old who's having a hip replaced this spring, and was glad to hear from the intake coordinator that because of her age she'd likely be going home the same day. "At least I'm not 80."

It's not quite right to say that people are getting hip replacements because their friends are, but at the same time, it's not quite wrong.

The more middle-aged people who get it, the more prospective patients and even primary care doctors will start to think of the procedure as something appropriate for the under-60 set, said Harb, but it's still early enough that the hip replacement's image has not yet changed, he said. "Medicine is slow-moving," he said.

Meanwhile, even though it is generally easier to recover from an operation when you are younger, Almacari, the Atrius Health clinician, said it's not youth that determines how well someone does with their new hip, but rather their dedication to post-surgery physical therapy.

"Real estate agents are my best patients. They're so motivated," he said. "Especially in a good market."

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Surgeon Georges Almacari says half of his hip-replacement patients are between 45 and 60.

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EDITORIAL

A pandemic-era eviction protection worth keeping

Imagine this: You're a tenant behind on your rent, facing eviction. You've applied for available state aid, though, and have every reason to expect that you'll receive it. But state bureaucracy moves so slowly that before your application can be processed, you get evicted anyway.

That's just the scenario lawmakers sought to avoid when they passed a law known as Chapter 257 during the pandemic. It makes little sense to offer help to tenants facing eviction — and, by extension, landlords owed back rent — if processing delays mean that aid can't actually be used.

Narrow in scope, the law isn't an eviction moratorium. All it does is require courts to put an eviction case on hold for a "reasonable" amount of time if the tenant has a pending rental assistance application, until the application is either accepted or rejected. If an application is accepted, the landlord gets the money owed and the case becomes moot; if it's denied, the eviction can go forward.

Unfortunately, the law expired last week. But as long as the state is going to offer aid to stave off evictions, it needs some form of procedural protection like the one that Chapter 257 provided.

Though federal funds are drying up, the state will continue to assist renters through the Residential Assistance for Families in Transition program. The problem now is that the purpose of those state funds — to mitigate eviction risks — is undermined because there's no guarantee that an eligible tenant will get a chance to access them before getting evicted.

Enshrining a policy of putting an eviction case on hold until a tenant's rental assistance application is either approved or denied doesn't create any losers. Indeed, not only would a tenant be less likely to lose their home, but the landlords who are owed arrears would be more likely to get their money back. That's why many landlords were fine with keeping Chapter 257 in place.

The concern, however, is whether this kind of eviction protection could prolong eviction cases unreasonably. If the state's rental assistance programs are inefficiently run, with backlogs that overwhelm the system, then landlords shouldn't be expected to keep waiting around while their own bills, like property fees and mortgage payments, pile up. While Chapter 257 leaves it up to a court to define what constitutes a reasonable amount of time — a fine model — lawmakers should still find a way to assure landlords that they won't be left on the hook for bills without an end in sight.

That includes providing the necessary funds to streamline the administration of the state's social programs. It also includes following the city of Boston's lead, which is to promptly send tenants a notice of their rights, which includes the resources they can use to apply for rental assistance, along with eviction notices. That would help reduce the time a landlord has to wait for their tenants' rental assistance application to be processed because the tenant would know to apply well before their eviction hearing.

Bills to make this sort of eviction protection permanent have already been introduced in the Legislature. Lawmakers should move quickly to strike the right balance, protecting tenants from eviction and landlords from inordinate delay. Now that Chapter 257 has expired, the longer it takes Beacon Hill to step up, the more likely it becomes that Massachusetts tenants will face completely unnecessary and avoidable evictions. And that's not good for anyone.

EDITOR'S NOTE The Globe's April 2 editorial, "Transparency needed in Cannabis Control Commission investigations," said that the Cannabis Control Commission had forced bloggers Eric Casey and Grant Smith Ellis to delete a published story about an investigation into the company Curaleaf and alleged investment by Russian oligarchs. The two removed the article and associated social media posts voluntarily after they were told records related to their reporting may put individuals at safety risk.

Families of fatal overdose victims need resources to bury their loved ones

By Brendan Little and Elsa Gomes Bondlow

As opioid-related overdose deaths have steadily increased in the United States over the past three decades, violent crimes — including homicides — have largely decreased. These trends are similarly true in Massachusetts: Fatal overdoses are up and homicides are down. In 2021, there were 157 homicides in Massachusetts and 2,290 opioid-related overdose deaths. This means that for every 1 homicide, there were 14.5 fatal opioid overdoses.

Massachusetts' families of homicide victims have access to public and private resources for financial and mental health support when their loved one is killed. These resources have been heroically hard-won by countless dedicated activists, many of them Black or brown. Community advocates across the United States challenged an indifferent or blatantly hostile justice system to gain resources for victims of violent crime. Massachusetts has built a funding infrastructure for victims of violence.

However, families of fatal overdose victims have no consistent resources to assist them with funerals or mental health resources when their loved one dies. This is a critical gap in Massachusetts' human services safety net, one that further burdens already-grieving families and exacerbates traumatic stress. The state's public and private sectors must expand violent crime victims' benefits to the families of overdose victims. As crucial as investments like prevention and recovery are, the cost of overdose deaths should not be overlooked.

Due to our community ties and access to philanthropic circles, City of Boston staff who field constituent requests when a loved one dies of an overdose have sought and received our support to pay for burial services. We coordinate with bereaved families, hear the particulars of their grief, and pay to bury their loved ones through a new trust-based philanthropic initiative, the Social Equity Access Fund. Oftentimes, these families need only a couple thousand dollars.

We have worked on several requests over the past two years. Although we're grateful to be of service to families in their time of need, families deserve sustainable support.

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Thousands of purple flags representing the lives lost to overdose in Massachusetts were on display at Brigham & Women's Hospital in Boston in October 2022.

Some people may hold the outdated belief that family survivors are not deserving of financial support because their deceased loved one was guilty of a moral failing. Families of homicide victims also suffer this kind of stigma and victim blaming, more acutely so when they're poor. Hardships happen in all social strata, but people experiencing poverty are more likely to suffer increased rates of violence and addiction. And in the United States, where 57 percent of Americans cannot afford a $1,000 emergency, a loved one's fatal overdose can be emotionally and financially catastrophic. Moreover, the overdose rates for Black and brown communities are rapidly rising, culminating in a layered web of disparities. What does it say to families, who have been historically disenfranchised, that their loved ones' dignified burial is not a worthy investment?

While there are no widely available financial resources for family survivors of fatal overdoses in Massachusetts, there is a strong network of peer support. One of the largest is Learn to Cope, founded by Joanne Peterson, a woman whose son struggled with addiction. Her organization has received national recognition as a peer network for families and has over 11,000 members. Organizations like Learn to Cope would be well situated to help direct the funds we're calling for.

Sustainable funds for fatal overdose victims' funerals in Massachusetts are not only imperative, they should be only the beginning of a larger support strategy. The tragic ripple effects of children losing parents and parents losing children is incalculable. One report found that nearly 3 percent of American children are directly impacted by opioid use disorders and nearly a quarter million children lost a parent to overdose in 2017. Innovations like children's savings accounts for youth orphaned by fatal overdose should be explored to prevent future generational cycles of loss. But first the state must first address families' most immediate needs, like funeral costs and therapy for survivors.

Since there is currently no mechanism to understand the full sense of the need, it could begin with a needs assessment coordinated by Massachusetts Office of Victims Assistance and the Bureau of Substance Addiction Services in tandem. Once the scope of the problem is known, funds could potentially be drawn from the incoming millions to the Opioid Recovery and Remediation Fund. If 10 percent of overdoses were covered, at the average rate of funeral costs in Massachusetts ($10,000), it would be less than $2.3 million, which is about 10 percent of MOVA's current budget.

If there's one analogy our society likes to make about addiction and drugs, it is that it is a war. Well, even in war, the dead don't go unburied. As a Commonwealth, we must learn from the hard-fought battles of the victims of violence movement and replicate their proven avenues of support for fatal overdoses. If the state doesn't, it will compound the pain of families already in a devastating situation.

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Cameras were on for Lindsay Clancy's arraignment. Why was Trump's different?

By Rachelle Cohen

Long before there was livestreaming or videoconferencing, long before television and computer screens could bring criminal proceedings into our homes and our lives, a justice of Massachusetts' highest court wrote, "It is desirable that judicial proceedings should take place under the public eye."

The year was 1894 and the justice was Oliver Wendell Holmes Jr. And how unfortunate that New York Supreme Court Judge Juan Merchan didn't see his obligation to carry out Tuesday's proceedings against former president Donald Trump "under the public eye" in the way we know it and understand it today.

And what a marked contrast to the way criminal justice is routinely carried out in Massachusetts. After all, if Lindsay Clancy, accused of the murder of her three young children, could be arraigned from her hospital bed via videoconference, a proceeding that was livestreamed, why should Trump be shielded?

It certainly wasn't that Merchan didn't grasp the gravity of the situation.

"That this indictment involves a matter of monumental significance cannot possibly be disputed," the judge wrote in his decision denying the petition from several broadcast outlets for video access to the proceedings. "Never in the history of the United States has a sitting or past President been indicted on criminal charges. Mr. Trump's arraignment has generated unparalleled public interest and media attention. The populace rightly hungers for the most accurate and current information available. To suggest otherwise would be disingenuous."

> The public was indeed robbed of the opportunity to hear from the lips of the prosecutor the numerous charges leveled against the former president. That is the real loss.

Despite that, the judge permitted only still cameras (five of them) in the courtroom and then only for "several minutes" prior to the actual start of the hearing. Reporters would have to do the rest.

Now it's not that the nation was deprived of the image of Trump in the dock or that moment when he said "not guilty." We'll get over it. But the public was indeed robbed of the opportunity to hear from the lips of the prosecutor the numerous charges leveled against the former president. That is the real loss.

Trump's lawyers insisted that cameras would create a "circus-like atmosphere, … raise security concerns," and "inevitably result in prejudice." And yet somehow Massachusetts has managed to mete out justice for more than three decades with cameras accommodated as a routine part of the proceedings — yes, under strict rules spelled out by the Supreme Judicial Court, but rules that effectively shift the burden in favor of openness. (Full disclosure, I serve as cochair of the SJC's Judiciary-Media Committee, which participated in the most recent redrafting of the rule.)

No, we've never had a former president tried in state court, but cameras certainly didn't "prejudice" the murder trials of Patriots player Aaron Hernandez, who was found not guilty in his second trial after a widely viewed guilty verdict in his first trial — a verdict actually carried live by just about every TV station in greater Boston.

In Minnesota, which like New York does not have a history of routinely allowing cameras in its courtrooms, the trial of former Minneapolis police officer Derek Chauvin, charged in the murder of George Floyd, provided a chance to break with standard procedure. Chauvin's trial was the first in that state to be broadcast live and in full.

Judge Peter Cahill ruled that in the midst of the then-raging pandemic, the "only way to vindicate the defendants' constitutional right to a public trial and the media's and public's constitutional rights of access to criminal trials is to allow audio and video coverage of the trial."

Last month the Minnesota Supreme Court issued a ruling that will allow the state to join more than 35 others that routinely allow cameras in court.

New York, however, remains an outlier, where camera coverage in the courtroom is more myth than reality, where the burden is on the news media to petition to be allowed to photograph the proceedings.

And while New York's rules pay lip service to the idea that "In order to maintain the broadest scope of public access to the courts, to preserve public confidence in the judiciary and to foster public understanding" courts should facilitate audio-visual coverage "to the fullest extent," that wasn't the case Tuesday in Manhattan.

But this is just the beginning of the People of New York v. Donald Trump. Merchan gets another chance to deliver the kind of transparency and justice those rules demand when Trump goes on trial. There is no earthly reason to deny the people of this nation a chance to view that proceeding and see with their own eyes that indeed no one is above the law.

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Hey, you guys, don't call us 'ladies'

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At the end of taping a recent segment on GBH's "Talking Politics," host Adam Reilly apologized for referring to me and my co-panelist, political consultant Jesse Mermell, as "you guys" during our discussion.

Since I routinely use that expression myself with men and women, I told him I was fine with it — just, please, "don't call us ladies." "Or girls," added Mermell.

In 2023, a person's choice of words can be perilous. Consider the story of Vito Perrone, who says a job offer to become superintendent of the Easthampton Public Schools was rescinded after he wrote an e-mail in which he addressed the School Committee chairwoman and another female colleague as "ladies."

The whole truth is probably more complicated than that, since the vote to hire Perrone was 4-3 and his e-mail included a request for some contract changes involving salary, vacation, and sick days. But in an interview with the Daily Hampshire Gazette, Perrone said that Cynthia Kwiecinski, the School Committee chair, said the use of "ladies" as a salutation was a microaggression and the fact that he didn't know that as an educator was a problem.

The chilling effect such thinking can have on language and life is scary. While I agree the use of "ladies" can sound patronizing, I think it's extreme to call it a microaggression. But even if you are so inclined, should one microaggression cancel out everything else that's worthwhile about a person?

Perrone has 29 years of experience as an educator. The superintendent's job in Easthampton represented a joyous homecoming for him, since he had previously worked there as a principal and football coach. He left to become principal of West Springfield High School and has been serving as interim superintendent in that school system. He must have said and done enough to convince a majority of Easthampton School Committee members he was the right person for this job. And then an e-mail with the salutation "ladies" changes that? He has since apologized for using an expression that was taken as an insult.

People say stupid things, often when their guard is down or they are trying to be funny. That seems to be the case with renowned chef Ming Tsai. During a conversation with fellow chef Irene Li, before a sold-out crowd at WBUR's CitySpace, Tsai said, "Did you roofie me? You should have. I roofied you." Given the meaning of roofie — to spike a drink with drugs to incapacitate the drinker so you can prey upon them sexually — and the recent spate of that happening in Boston, this criminal practice is nothing to joke about. Tsai also seemed to downplay the need for a #MeToo reckoning in Boston restaurants, saying "bad boys get the press." Six weeks after those remarks, Li posted an Instagram video that featured them, leading Tsai to apologize.

Of course what Tsai said to Li — especially in connection with spiking drinks — is far more offensive than what Perrone wrote. Yet I think it's better to take both as teachable moments rather than reputation-shattering ones. Unless there's an established pattern of sexist language and behavior, a single incident should not turn a person into a pariah.

Meanwhile, expressions like "you guys" creep into everyday language and, over time, become offensive, at least to some people. As Reilly explained to me, "Earlier this year I got an e-mail from a viewer who was frustrated by my use of 'guys' to address two or more women. I'd always thought of it as an innocuous, gender-neutral term, but she made the case that it's both deeply gendered and offensive. Since then I've been working hard, on and off camera, to kick the 'guys' habit — but I still slip up sometimes despite my best efforts."

Some of the outrage over language seems to break down along generational lines. Baby boomers like me have put up with so many insults over the years that maybe we are numb to them. Or maybe experience has taught us that not every man who refers to women as "ladies" is an unredeemable sexist pig.

As Perrone told the Gazette, "I wish, in the moment, we had a different conversation about my use of 'ladies' as a greeting and used it as something we could grow from instead of it just being a closed door, no negotiation, no acceptance of an apology." However, in the aftermath of this controversy, all he can do is cling to the public support he has received, saying "it affirms things to me as a professional, as a leader, that people recognize the positive in me."

How sad. A lifetime in education and a sense of self-worth have been undercut by a word in an e-mail.

What do you guys think about that?

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Classical music, for your consideration, in our own backyard

Bostonians, skip the train ride to New York and go west — to Groton

Re "As BSO transitions, musical ideas from beyond: Innovations from New York, San Francisco show evolving classical landscape" (Critic's Notebook, Page A1, March 26): For state-of-the-art ideas on warm welcomes for concertgoers (and music makers) of all ages, head less than an hour west of the Boston Symphony Hall.

Last month, I joined hundreds of others to hear the Vista Philharmonic Orchestra perform three symphonies in the stunning new Groton Hill Music Center's 1,000-seat concert hall, a venue that embraces world-class acoustics with dazzling ceilings, sky-encompassing windows, and, most important, staff and musicians who collaboratively create an opposite-of-stodgy atmosphere. Fabulous music without the airs.

About 100 of us lingered after the concert and walked to the 300-seat hall to join an intimate question-and-answer session with Bruce Hangen, the orchestra's maestro, and Randy Steere, who debuted the music center's new, state-of-the-art virtual organ. Both engaged directly and informally with concertgoers (who knew that the sound of an organ in France differs from that in England, and both from that in Germany or Italy?).

For a fresh approach to bringing music to the masses, cancel your Acela tickets for New York and look just a bit west.

SUSAN BALDWIN
Groton

Find a human connection at Symphony by the Sea

"Nothing makes discovering new listening experiences more wonderful than a guide with whom one can make a human connection," writes Anthony Rudel, general manager at GBH Music ("Want to explore classical music? Let me be your guide," Opinion, March 27). At Symphony by the Sea, we agree. Our music director and conductor, Donald Palma, has made a tradition of introducing the program with anecdotes (both historical and personal) and "drop the needle" demonstrations that add immeasurably to the performance. He invites us to relax, have a good time, and enjoy the magic about to unfold. It is a very human connection, for the audience and the musicians alike.

SANDY SHECKMAN
Swampscott

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Listening (and life) skills were learned watching Bernstein's Young People's Concerts

Anthony Rudel's op-ed piece ("Want to explore classical music? Let me be your guide.") brought me back to hours of family time in front of the black-and-white TV learning about classical music from the maestro Leonard Bernstein. From 1958 to 1972, Bernstein's Young People's Concerts guided my generation and our parents through the beauty and complexity of orchestral instruments, their subtle and distinct sounds, their dissonance and harmonies. These gentle, personalized lessons have influenced not only my appreciation for classical music but also my skills as both an ear and a voice in familial and friendship relationships and a long career as a social worker.

JUDI MEIROWITZ TISCHLER
Newton

GBH let two exemplars go years ago

Anthony Rudel is so right about the value of radio hosts in using their platform to expand listeners' horizons. The two best exemplars are Richard Knisely and the late Robert J. Lurtsema. GBH should have kept both on the air as long as possible. I still miss them.

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Brookfield

Teen's successful bid for Belmont Town Meeting is laudable

I wish to congratulate Angus Abercrombie on his successful campaign for Town Meeting member in Belmont ("He's 18 and he's on the ballot in Belmont," Metro, April 4). I served for many years as the town moderator in Weymouth and was always happy to see young people become Town Meeting members. Although they were sometimes unaware of the significance of certain articles that came before the body, they were usually willing to listen and learn from the more seasoned members and to vote according to their beliefs. I learned a great deal from some of these young people, and for that I am grateful.

Good luck to Abercrombie. I hope that he will add to the deliberations in a meaningful manner.

JOHN REILLY
Weymouth

Local government is where it's at. Mass. Republicans, take note.

Great article by Sonel Cutler about an astute young man who understands that local government action is where it's at. May Angus Abercrombie's contemporaries get the message not only in Belmont but across the Commonwealth.

As a lifelong Republican activist who feels that our party seems to have forgotten this message, I'd like Republican state and town committee members to take note. From the sounds of the article, the Democrats are already working with Abercrombie.

BOB DUMONT
Sterling

The writer is a member of the Sterling Republican Town Committee and a former member of the Republican town committees in Southborough and Belmont.

Ex-official is accused of stealing from Keolis

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chael Rollins said in a statement. "Today, unfortunately, we add fraud to that list."

Pigsley pleaded not guilty to felony charges including wire fraud, tax evasion, and other financial crimes. Rafferty agreed to plead guilty last month to a conspiracy charge and will serve as a witness in Pigsley's prosecution.

Lawyers for Pigsley and Rafferty did not respond to requests for comment.

The alleged fraud began in 2014 and continued at least until October 2021, according to Pigsley's indictment. During those years, Rafferty bought trucks, building materials, and other goods and services for Pigsley through Rafferty's company, LJ Electric. Then Rafferty submitted falsified invoices to Keolis for the cost of the goods — plus a commission for himself — to Keolis. Pigsley approved the invoices, prosecutors alleged in court filings.

The result was that Keolis paid Rafferty's company more than $4 million for invented electrical services, according to the filings. The money reimbursed Rafferty for the goods and services he had already bought for Pigsley, including: nine trucks, seven Bobcat machines, doors, windows, cabinets, and countertops for Pigsley's home, and a camper trailer, and more than $1 million of building services and materials. (Pigsley renovated two personal homes and ran a general contracting business during the years of the alleged scheme, according to the court filings.)

Meanwhile, Pigsley used his position at Keolis to buy with company money more than $4.5 million of copper wire over several years, according to the filings. He made the purchases in small quantities — less than $15,000 at a time, in some cases — to evade scrutiny, prosecutors said. Then he took the wire to a scrap yard several times a month and traded it for cash, according to the filings.

A spokesperson for the MBTA said Keolis notified the agency of the "alleged overbilling and credited the T for all of the funds identified in the alleged scheme." The MBTA paid Keolis between $291 million and $349 million a year to run the commuter rail system during the years of the alleged scheme, according to the US attorney's office.

A spokesperson for Keolis said that in late 2021 the company detected "project anomalies linked with the practices of an employee," who was then investigated and fired. "We also cooperated with the authorities throughout their investigation," the spokesperson said. Officials from the Massachusetts US attorney's office, the FBI, and the IRS participated in the investigation, according to Rollins's office.

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John Pigsley, a former assistant chief engineer who managed facilities maintenance for Keolis, the MBTA's commuter rail operator, pleaded not guilty to felony charges including wire fraud, tax evasion, and other financial crimes.

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Transit advocates said the alleged fraud does not rank highly among the MBTA's problems, given the agency's long list of safety and service issues that impact riders more directly.

"I'm focused on service delivery," said Jim Aloisi, former secretary of transportation in the Deval Patrick administration and a board member of TransitMatters, a public transportation advocacy group. "For a transit agency . . . that's struggling with a variety of problems, this is an unfortunate situation. It doesn't rise to a level of gnashing my teeth over it."

Stacy Thompson, executive director of LivableStreets Alliance, said the MBTA has a history of failing to oversee contracts well, leading to delays and blown budgets.

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"Whether it's with the company working on our fare collection system, the company making the new Red and Orange Line trains, if you don't have enough oversight and consistent management, things like this are more likely to happen. There is an emerging pattern," she said, though she cautioned that she does not know enough about the Pigsley case to say if lax oversight played a role.

Prosecutors also accused Pigsley of tax fraud. Among his alleged crimes was failing to disclose the proceeds from the scheme to the IRS. According to IRS rules, "If you steal property, you must report its [fair market value] in your income in the year you steal it, unless in the same year you return it to its rightful owner." Pigsley failed to do that, prosecutors alleged.

Pigsley was arrested Wednesday morning, according to the US attorney's office. On Wednesday afternoon, two officers led him, handcuffed, into a federal courtroom in South Boston.

Judge Paul Levenson agreed to release him until his trial on several conditions. One was that he can't transfer assets of more than $1,000 without permission.

If convicted on all counts, Pigsley could face dozens of years in prison. Rafferty could be sentenced to up to five years, according to his plea agreement.

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Report says Boston's Black community growing, not shrinking

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authored the report in partnership with the Boston Foundation and Embrace Boston. The report is slated to be presented at an event at 6 p.m. Thursday at the Roxbury Community College Media Arts Center.

The findings, researchers say, should challenge public officials and policy makers to take a more intersectional, culturally competent approach to addressing the many problems afflicting Black people in Greater Boston.

"There're so many questions and issues and implications for how we study the Black community and race in Massachusetts," said James Jennings, professor emeritus of urban and environmental policy and planning at Tufts University, and coauthor of the report.

He added, "People have been making policy and all kinds of decisions without really acknowledging or understanding how the Black population has changed. . . . There are some political implications that might unfold as we get a sense of what this data means down the road."

Boston's Black population has come a long way from its beginnings as a small mix of freedmen and enslaved residents, the report says. During the first half of the 20th century, Black families fleeing Jim Crow during the Great Migration and others leaving the West Indies for better opportunity settled in Boston neighborhoods such as Roxbury, Dorchester, and the South End.

In the last several decades, though, Boston's Black residents have migrated to suburbs south of the city such as Brockton, Randolph, and Stoughton. More recently, many have also relocated to communities north of Boston such as Lynn, Lowell, and Lawrence.

In 1980, more than three-quarters of Greater Boston's Black population lived within Boston city limits. That number dropped to 36 percent in 2020, and 64 percent of Black residents in the area now live in the suburbs, the report stated, citing census figures.

Many of the people driving the growth in the Black population identify as Afro Latinos, multiracial, and multiethnic, the report found.

"The Black population has always reflected diversity, but not to the degree that we found while looking at these high numbers," Jennings said. When it comes to Greater Boston's Afro Latinos, "I don't think I'm being too melodramatic in saying explosive growth."

The largest decrease in Black residents in Boston occurred in parts of Roxbury, Jamaica Plain, and the South End; Black populations dropped more than 7 percentage points in each of those neighborhoods between 2010 and 2020.

Meanwhile, the share of Black people in other neighborhoods like Hyde Park rose at least 6 percentage points.

The report's coauthors agree that the growth of Greater Boston's Black demographic is fueled by global and local phenomena, as well as changes to the decennial census. Since 2000, the Census Bureau has allowed people to choose more than one race. For 2010 and 2020, residents also had the choice to write in their own identification if they believe their ethnicity doesn't fit into the available categories.

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A display in the Seaport celebrated Black leadership in Boston. In the last few decades, many of Boston's Black residents have migrated to the suburbs.

"How the census counts people matters," Jennings said. "Because we see how when we dig deeper into what the Black population is, we get more accurate numbers."

The report also compares Boston's Black migration patterns to trends at the national level. At more than 37 percent, the Boston metropolitan area in 2020 had the country's largest percentage of foreign-born Black residents, surpassing Miami, Minneapolis, and New York. And while 11 percent of Black Americans across the country identify as foreign-born, those figures jump to 40 percent in Greater Boston.

The data also challenges widespread assumptions about Black Bostonians' average net worth, including the often-discussed Federal Reserve Bank of Boston report that in 2015 concluded Black Boston families have an average net worth of $8, compared to $247,500 for white families.

Instead of net worth calculations, the new report uses median household income to measure the racial wealth gap, and shows wide wealth disparities within Greater Boston's Black communities. Nigerian households have a median household income of just under $80,000, while Dominican and Puerto Rican families make around $40,000. Greater Boston's Salvadoran, Trinidadian and Tobagonian, Haitian, Jamaican, and African families have household incomes between $60,000 and $70,000. Incomes for African American and Cape Verdean families hover just above $50,000.

"The Black community is not monolithic," Jennings said.

Jennings and Schuster agree that the data can't answer every question about how to tackle the disparities afflicting Greater Boston's Black residents.

For Schuster, he'd like to see more nuanced data to understand "how much of this trend means there's a growing Black middle class cluster in a way that our region hasn't had before . . . versus how much of this is from the urban core in the city."

Nevertheless, he said, the data that is cited in the report can help local leaders chart a path forward that doesn't leave Black Boston's cosmopolitan makeup behind.

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YVONNE ABRAHAM

Whale of a Big Oil tale

There is shameless, and then there is what fossil fuel interests are doing to try to stop Vineyard Wind -- and every other offshore wind project in this country.

People are no longer buying the companies' lies about the immense harm their products cause the planet, so now Big Oil and climate change deniers are hiding behind whales and fishermen.

They're disguising themselves as environmentalists, urging regulators and courts to put the brakes on wind farms we desperately need, because they claim to be worried about the harm the structures might do to whales -- even as they oppose environmental regulations and advocate for offshore oil drilling. They are pushing misinformation about whale deaths. They are encouraging and supporting suits by local groups whose causes serve their interests.

When a group of Nantucket property owners filed a federal lawsuit to halt Vineyard Wind – greenlighted two years ago, and set to begin construction this summer, unless the suit succeeds – David Stevenson helped them announce it at a press conference outside the State House.

Stevenson, a former Trump adviser, is a director at the Caesar Rodney Institute, a libertarian think tank partly funded by fossil fuel companies and connected to a network of think tanks – like the Heartland Institute – that push antiscience, right-wing policies across the country.

The Nantucket residents are being represented pro bono by the firm of Gatzke, Dillon & Ballance, which also represents other real and fake grass-roots groups against wind farms elsewhere on the Atlantic coast, in addition to Heartland.

A group of fishing companies who have brought a different lawsuit to stop Vineyard Wind are represented by attorneys for The Texas Public Policy Foundation, another conservative national group backed by oil and gas companies, which promotes what it calls "the moral case" for the continued use of fossil fuels.

"It looks like grass-roots groups in local coastal communities are raising issues with offshore wind, but the evidence points to the fact that many of these groups have connections to Big Oil," said Susannah Hatch, director of clean energy policy at the Environmental League of Massachusetts.

Amy DiSibio, a board member at Nantucket Residents Against Turbines, says that her group no longer has any connection to Stevenson and that her predecessors at the group were just looking for help when they were getting started.

"There is nothing political about this issue, or our organization," she said. "We will talk to anybody. We are worried about the environment and we're just asking that everybody stops and takes a look at what the full impact and trade-offs are."

But Hatch, the federal government, and others say there is no evidence wind turbines are responsible for whale deaths. We do know whales are dying because they're being struck by shipping vessels, which have proliferated in recent years, and from getting caught in fishing gear. We know, too, that warming oceans means whales are traveling to more perilous waters in search of food.

More and more people believe the disinformation because it thrives unchecked among conservative legislators and commentators, and on social media: A study by Media Matters found that, in the first two months of this year, 84 percent of the 288 Facebook posts that mention wind energy included the unsubstantiated claim that offshore wind farms hurt whale populations.

Those farms are subject to a mountain of permitting requirements and controls designed to avoid harm to wildlife at every stage, from surveying the site to building turbines to operating them, with on-site biologists standing watch over it all. We don't have to go back to the drawing board here.

We are so alarmingly behind on clean energy in this country. We have a pathetic total of seven turbines in the water – compared to at least 5,500 in Europe, Hatch said. Vineyard Wind would put 62 turbines in the water 15 miles south of Martha's Vineyard by the end of this year, and would power 400,000 homes and businesses. We need many more beyond that.

Some people are genuinely concerned about what those farms will do to fishing, wildlife, and tourism. The oil interests are using them as cover.

They say they care, too, but they're lying.

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Bok to head BHA as it faces housing crisis

Move will trigger special council election

By Emma Platoff
GLOBE STAFF

Kenzie Bok, a housing and budget policy wonk serving her second term on the Boston City Council, will be the next leader of the Boston Housing Authority, assuming responsibility for an organization that serves tens of thousands of Boston's poorest residents.

Boston Mayor Michelle Wu announced Bok's appointment Wednesday, and Bok will start at the authority in May. The move will trigger a special election later this year for her seat on the City Council.

A longtime affordable housing advocate and former senior policy adviser at the BHA, Bok returns to lead the chronically underfunded authority as the city battles a housing crisis that only adds urgency, and difficulty, to the organization's work — providing public housing to about 17,000 people and administering vouchers to 45,000 more.

Wu cited the important role public housing plays in the city and said that in the BHA's leader, "we need determination to continue what's working, and a vision and relentlessness to do even more."

"Kenzie knows the organization inside out," Wu said in an interview. "She's deeply committed to putting residents first and also a visionary about how we can invest even more in our public housing to create benefit for everyone in our community."

The challenges are steep. More than 37,000 households currently sit on BHA waitlists, and many of the authority's 56 developments are decades old and in desperate need of repair. Adding to the difficulty: The facilities now have just seven years to end their reliance on fossil fuels, under an ambitious timeline set earlier this year. For Bok, that will mean ensuring the continuation of essential services while making necessary facility improvements, all as she eyes potentially expanding the city's public housing stock by as many as 2,500 units.

In an interview this week, Bok said affordable housing is "essential to what makes Boston, Boston" and emphasized the importance of seeing public housing as a public good.

"This is the institution that mat-

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PROGRESS IN AP STUDIES DIVERSITY

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Durfee High School juniors Olivia DeMello (second row from left), Eshal Zahra, Rebecca Bento De Souza, and Mya Hayes-Paulette carried a greeting sign following a group photo during AP Day at the State House on Wednesday. B3

Sununu: No path for a Trump presidency

By Amanda Gokee
GLOBE STAFF

MANCHESTER, N.H. – Governor Chris Sununu told New England business leaders Wednesday there's no pathway for former president Trump to win the 2024 presidential election, and he criticized Republican messaging for alienating independent and young voters.

"He's not going to win," Sununu said in an address to the New England Council hosted by the New Hampshire Institute of Politics at Saint Anselm College. "He didn't win in 2020. He caused a lot of seats to be lost that we should have won in '22."

Sununu said Americans have already decided whether they support Trump or not, leaving "no pathway" for the former president to win back voters or states that have previously opposed him. Sununu urged Republicans to back a candidate who can win. He also criticized Trump for failing to deliver during his time in office on a variety of issues including border security, immigration reform, health care reform, and fiscal conservatism. He said Trump's antiabortion stance would work against him, too, calling it "horrible messaging and horrible politics."

Recent polling in New Hampshire shows that Trump is still the forerunner, with support from 42 percent of likely primary voters. Florida Governor Ron DeSantis follows with 29 percent, and Sununu at 14 percent, according to a poll released last week by the Saint Anselm College Survey Cen-

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'Massachusetts residents want and deserve the opportunity to build healthier communities and pollution-free homes.'

LISA CUNNINGHAM, *ZeroCarbonMA founder*

City Council supports building code that eschews fossil fuels

By Dharna Noor
GLOBE STAFF

INTO THE RED
CLIMATE AND THE FIGHT OF OUR LIVES

Boston City Council on Wednesday voted 8-4 to approve a new climate-friendly state building code that strongly discourages the use of fossil fuels in new construction and major renovations citywide.

The move will help "cement Boston as a leader in sustainability and climate resilience," said Councilor Ricardo Arroyo, chair of the Committee on Government Operations, who supported the effort.

Mayor Michelle Wu must now give the measure final approval, which the mayor's office told the Globe would happen quickly. When she does, Boston will become the largest city in the state to implement the optional code — known as a "specialized stretch code" — since it was finalized last year by the state energy department under former governor Charlie Baker.

The code stops short of an outright ban on fossil fuels for heating, cooling, and appliances in new buildings and major renovations. Instead, it aims to drastically curtail fossil fuels in buildings by adding expensive, climate-friendly re-

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ONCE AND FLORAL — A star magnolia tree bloomed at the Public Garden in Boston on Wednesday.

Groups call to keep care sites fully masked

By Kay Lazar
GLOBE STAFF

A coalition of health groups is urging the Healey administration to maintain universal masking in health care settings when the federal and state public health emergencies for COVID-19 lift on May 11.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention last fall eased its guidelines for masks in health care settings, saying they were not necessary in areas where COVID-19 transmission was not high. But Massachusetts was among several states that maintained universal masking.

Now, with community levels listed as low across the state — and across roughly 90 percent of the country — Massachusetts health officials have acknowledged to hospital administrators and others that they are planning to lift that rule in May. The plan has triggered an outpouring of concern from health groups focused on equity and protection for people who are vulnerable to serious complications from infection, such as the elderly, those with compromised immune systems, people with severe breathing problems, and other health conditions.

"The decision has been made behind closed doors without any input by people most impacted," said Dr. Lara Jirmanus, a primary care physician and instructor at Harvard Medical School who cofounded the Massachusetts Coalition for Health Equity.

Members of the coalition met with health officials from the Healey administration late last week, imploring them to maintain the mask rule in health settings, Jirmanus said.

A spokesperson for the state's Executive Office of Health and Human Services, in response to questions from the Globe, released a statement

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The task force would have a year from when the bill is passed to report its findings on the effectiveness and adequacy of creating a misdemeanor animal cruelty statute.

Changes to animal cruelty law sought

Felony charge an issue for activists

By Sam Drysdale
STATE HOUSE NEWS SERVICE

Almost 20 years after Massachusetts became the only state in the country that classified all animal cruelty cases as a felony, animal rights activists are supporting a bill to reverse that decision.

In certain cases, such as when pet owners have mental health or substance use issues that keep them from taking proper care of their animals, judges hesitate to deliver a felony charge that could come with jail time or other serious consequences, advocates told the Joint Committee on the Judiciary.

Under current state law, there is no route to take an animal away from a person who may be neglecting or mistreating it and prevent the person from adopting again without charging a felony offense.

The 2004 law that eliminated misdemeanors for animal cruelty was intended to crack down on abuse, but MSPCA staff attorney for animal protection Lynsey Legier said it has not necessarily increased animal protections.

"This aligns with criminal justice reform, which I know that this committee has advocated for in past sessions. There are situations where law enforcement intervention is necessary to protect an animal because they are suffering and cannot remain safely in their home, and yet criminal prosecution is not appropriate," Legier said.

Representative Edward Philips and Senator John Velis's omnibus bill concerning humane protections for animals would create a task force focusing on once again establishing misdemeanor animal cruelty charges. The task force would have a year from when the bill is passed to report its findings on the effectiveness and adequacy of creating a misdemeanor animal cruelty statute.

Since 2012, the Animal Rescue League of Boston and the MSPCA have been able to issue citations for cruelty of dogs through special state police officers who have the ability to enforce laws, said Ally Blanck of the Animal Rescue League of Boston. The citations are mostly meant to be educational, Blanck said, and it is rare for the ARL to pursue criminal charges.

But, they only have the power for cruelty to dogs. The ARL is supporting legislation that would expand their ability to cite cruelty to other animals as well.

"The expansion of civil citations to involve all animals would allow for situations that are approaching felony cruelty, it would allow for intervention sooner," Blanck said.

She added: "We had a cruelty case a number of years ago on Martha's Vineyard with a cat breeder. We were told that there were 30 cats that were living in filth, turned out that there were 90 cats that we ended up taking in until it rose to that level of felony cruelty. There was nothing we could do because cats are not included under the civil citation authority."

Also included in both the House and Senate omnibus bills is a prohibition on roadside sale of dogs and cats, and the sale of puppies or kittens under 8 weeks old, when they are still reliant on their mothers for nutrition and socialization.

For shop owner, a letter-perfect gift from Hanks

By Kate Armanini
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

When Tom Furrier received a large, bulky package Tuesday afternoon, he knew it was a typewriter. But the owner of Cambridge Typewriter in Arlington had no idea why it had been shipped from Santa Monica.

"I'm thinking, I'm not expecting anyone to send me a repair from California," said Furrier, 67. "And so I started to open it."

Furrier gingerly opened the box. Inside, a golf towel covered a vintage Olympia SM-4 typewriter. Scrawled across the top of the machine was an autograph: Tom Hanks.

"The second I saw Tom Hanks, I thought, 'Oh my God, he sent me a typewriter,'" Furrier said.

Tucked in the package was a typed note from the famous actor, explaining the gift.

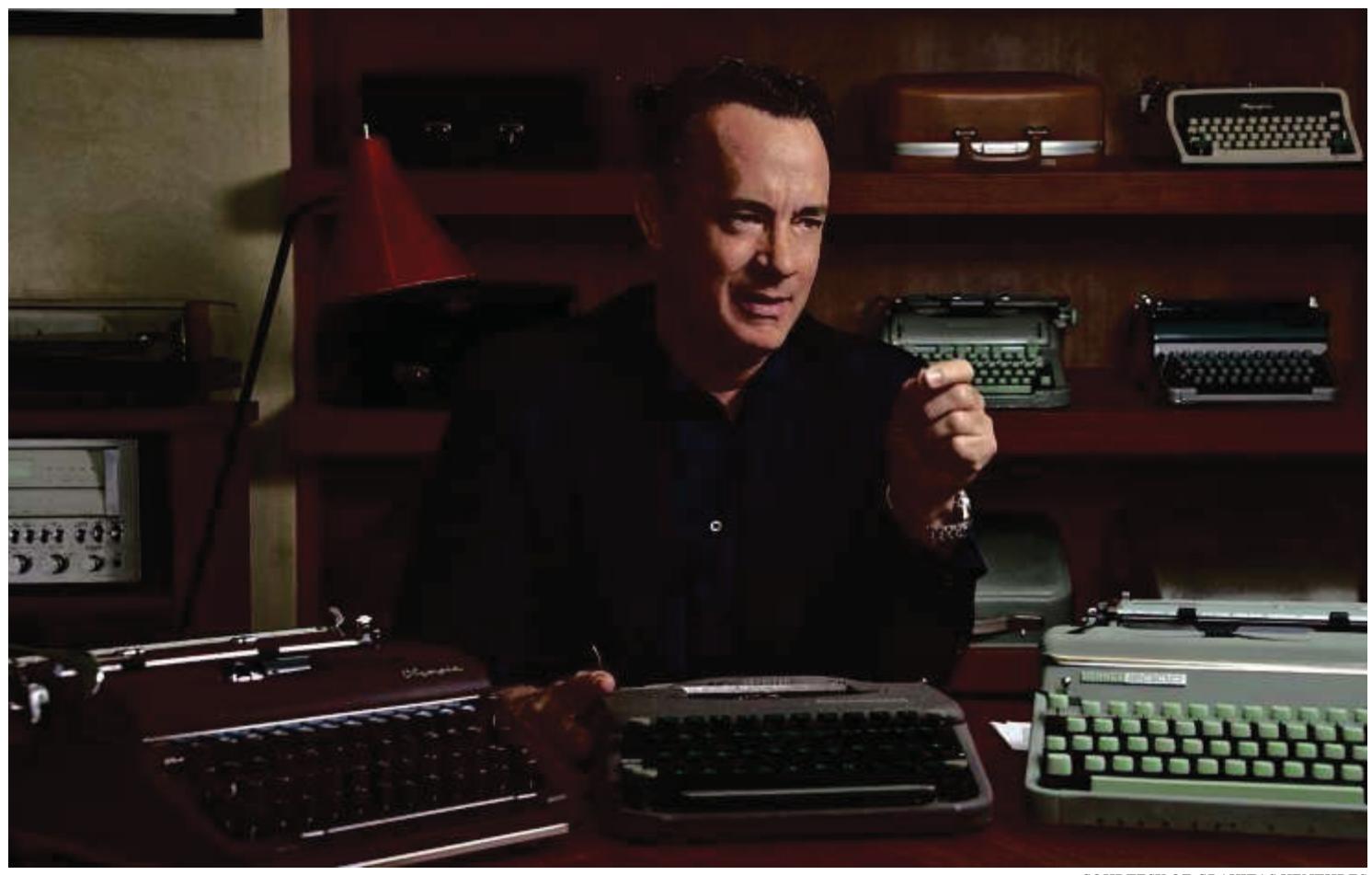
"On one hand, you are taking [it] off my shelves and out in the greater world," Hanks wrote. "On the other hand, you are giving me more space and less clutter. On the third (?) hand, you just may be giving this miracle of a machine a fuller, newer life of use."

Furrier said he had heard of Hanks sending typewriters to local stores but never imagined one would come his way.

A typewriter enthusiast, Hanks has a history of giving away machines from his personal collection. At one point, he owned hundreds, he told The New York Times. Now, in an effort to scale back his collection, he sends them to friends, costars, even strangers. In 2017, Hanks sent a typewriter to a Wellesley family who had written to him. In 2020, he shipped one to an 8-year-old boy in Australia who was being bullied. Last year, he mailed one to a school in Colorado that uses typewriters in its middle school curriculum. And the list goes on.

Hanks even travels with two typewriters, he told Stephen Colbert on The Late Show ("I use them like cufflinks," he quipped).

"He is very, very generous with the typewriter community," Furrier said. "He supports local typewriter shops that are still left around the country. A lot of people know Tom Hanks just as much for his typewriter advocacy as his acting."



COURTESY OF GRAVITAS VENTURES

Tom Hanks in the 2017 documentary film "California Typewriter," directed by Doug Nichol.

The typewriter Hanks donated dates back to the 1960s. It's in fair condition but needs minor repairs, Furrier said.

"I'm gonna recondition it, and I'm gonna keep it for a little bit just because it's such a cool thing to get," Furrier said. "Whether I sell it to a customer or I give it to a charity auction, I haven't decided yet. But it will be passed along."

He also hopes to refurbish its case.

"I'm thinking of sanding it nice and having somebody paint the case," Furrier said. "Maybe commission a local artist to come up with some Tom Hanks-themed thing to paint it cool."

Furrier posted about the gift on Cambridge Typewriter's Instagram, which quickly garnered attention. People have already asked if it's for sale, he said.

TOM FURRIER

Tom Furrier, owner of Cambridge Typewriter, received a special gift in the mail Tuesday: a vintage typewriter from Hanks's personal collection.

Normally, a vintage Olympia typewriter from the 1960s may sell for a few hundred dollars. With Hanks's autograph, it could be worth thousands, Furrier said.

Typewriters are "brilliant combinations of art and engineering. But art, engineering, and purpose," Hanks told the Times. "Every machine is as individual as a set of fingerprints. So, every time you type something on a typewriter, it is a one-of-a-kind work of art."

Furrier shares Hanks's admiration for the antiquated machines. He's worked at Cambridge Typewriter for 43 years.

"Just as far as typewriters go, I just think it's a really neat thing that people are discovering the value, and they're becoming relevant again," Furrier said. "People see the value in it, as opposed to doing something digitally, the tactile experience is just more rewarding. I'm honored that [Hanks] thought of us."

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Minute Man park to get a $27.4 million facelift

By Kate Armanini
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Minute Man National Historic Park will undergo $27.4 million in repairs for "backlogged maintenance" over the next three years, officials said Tuesday.

The funds come from the federal Great American Outdoors Act and will include the restoration of historical structures and landscape work, according to the National Park Service.

"These repairs ensure that Minute Man National Historical Park will have the ability to continue sharing important historical stories about the causes and consequences of the American Revolution," said Simone Monteleone, the park's superintendent.

The site of the first armed conflict of the American Revolution on April 19, 1775, Minute Man stretches across Lexington, Lincoln, and Concord and features more than a dozen historic structures commemorating the battle, the NPS said. In 2022, the park had more than 960,000 visitors, officials said.

The park will undergo two phases of restoration, officials said. The first will focus on refurbishing 16 historic structures, including interior repairs and upgrades to mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems, according to the NPS.

"When the work is complete, these buildings can continue their solemn watch over this hallowed landscape for years to come," officials said.

The second phase will focus on the park's outdoor landscape, officials said. The Battle Road Trail will be redeveloped to have more than 6x miles of newly accessible pedestrian trails and boardwalks. Other work includes preserving stone walls, improving vistas and signage, and vegetation maintenance, the NPS said.

Visitors should expect "minor inconveniences" throughout 2023 and 2024 for construction in parking lots and trail areas near the buildings, officials said.

"The park will be ready to welcome visitors for the 250th Anniversary [of] the opening of the American Revolution in April 2025," Monteleone said.

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This day in history

Today is Thursday, April 6, the 96th day of 2023. There are 269 days left in the year.

Birthdays: Nobel Prize-winning scientist James D. Watson is 95. Actor Billy Dee Williams is 86. Actor Roy Thinnes is 85. Movie director Barry Levinson is 81. Actor John Ratzenberger is 76. Actor Patrika Darbo is 75. Baseball Hall of Famer Bert Blyleven is 72. Actor Marilu Henner is 71. Olympic bronze medal figure skater Janet Lynn is 70. Blues guitarist Warren Haynes is 63. The Pixies singer-musician Black Francis is 58. Actor Ari Meyers is 54. Actor Paul Rudd is 54. Actor-producer Jason Hervey is 51. Singer and guitarist Kenneth Pattengale (Milk Carton Kids) is 41.

►In 1862, the Civil War Battle of Shiloh began in Tennessee as Confederate forces launched a surprise attack against Union troops, who beat back the Confederates the next day.

►In 1896, the first modern Olympic Games formally opened in Athens.

►In 1909, American explorers Robert E. Peary and Matthew A. Henson and four Inuits became the first men to reach the North Pole.

►In 1917, the United States entered World War I as the House joined the Senate in approving a declaration of war against Germany that was signed by President Woodrow Wilson.

►In 1945, during World War II, the Japanese warship Yamato and nine other vessels sailed on a suicide mission to attack the US fleet off Okinawa; the fleet was intercepted the next day.

►In 1954, Senator Joseph R. McCarthy, Republican of Wisconsin, responding to CBS newsman Edward R. Murrow's broadside against him on "See It Now," said in remarks filmed for the program that Murrow had, in the past, "engaged in propaganda for Communist causes."

►In 1974, Swedish pop group ABBA won the Eurovision Song Contest held in Brighton, England, with a performance of the song "Waterloo."

►In 2008, Democratic presidential candidate Barack Obama, speaking at a private fundraiser in San Francisco, spoke of voters in Pennsylvania's Rust Belt communities who "cling to guns or religion" because of bitterness about their economic lot; Democratic rival Hillary Rodham Clinton seized on the comment, calling it "elitist."

►In 2013, Iran and six world powers failed to reach agreement during talks in Almaty, Kazakhstan, on how to reduce fears that Tehran might use its nuclear technology to make weapons. Militants killed six Americans, including diplomat Anne Smedinghoff, 25, and an Afghan doctor in a pair of attacks in Afghanistan, the deadliest day for the US in the war in eight months.

►In 2014, legendary Hollywood actor Mickey Rooney, 93, died in North Hollywood.

►In 2017, comedian Don Rickles died in Beverly Hills, Calif. at age 90.

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Students of color are showing gains in AP coursework

By Adria Watson
GLOBE STAFF

John D. O'Bryant School of Math and Science senior Feodora Etelier hopes to become a surgeon.

THE GREAT DIVIDE

Race, class, and opportunity in our schools

As the daughter of Haitian immigrants, Etelier said the key to her dream is access to education. So the 17-year-old has worked to take multiple Advanced Placement, or AP, courses, as a way to put her ahead in college.

"Boston is a lot of low income people of color, so I feel like we have to work twice as hard to get half as far in a sense," Etelier said. "I wanted to ... challenge myself in a way that I know I can handle."

Etelier is among a growing number of students of color who are enrolling in the more rigorous classes. State education leaders announced during a Wednesday event at the State House that Massachusetts has seen double digit gains among the number of Black and Latino students enrolled in AP courses. The 10.2 percentage point increase to 31.1 percent among Black students and a 16.2 percentage point increase from 2012 to 2022 to 35.9 percent for Latinos places Massachusetts among the top 10 states for making the largest gains in the last decade among those student groups taking the exams.

They also announced Massachusetts was ranked first in the country for a second consecutive year for graduating high school students who passed their AP exams, which translates into college credit for their courses, according to data released by the College Board.

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Taunton High School sophomores Alannah Joseph (left) and Leah Surabian took in the Great Hall during AP Day at the Massachusetts State House

"We always believed that if we were to create a level playing field, we could do that simply by providing access," said Jeff Riley, state education commissioner. "We are again first in the country... but more important than that, we're having huge gains in our access for Black and Latino students."

The College Board provides AP courses in 38 subjects, and over 90 percent of schools in the Commonwealth offers at least one AP course. Students enrolled in AP classes have an end-of-year exam they can take that gives them college credit for the course if they achieve a minimum score of 3.

Last year, 30.5 percent of Massachusetts graduating seniors scored a 3 or higher on an AP exam, which is a 5.8 percent increase from the outcomes in 2012. Nationally, 21.6 percent of the high school graduates who took an AP exam last year scored a 3 or higher.

More than 200 educators and students were in attendance during the Wednesday event where the state officials touted their accomplishments. They also recognized 26 schools throughout the state that have made efforts to increase access to AP exams for students of color. Of the schools recognized, six saw at least a 30 percent increase over five years among Black, Latino and/or low-income test takers. These schools include: Attleboro High School, Durfee High School in Fall River, John D. O'Bryant School of Math and Science in Boston, Lawrence High School, Lynn Classical High School, and Worcester Technical High School.

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Groups urge state to keep mask mandate in health settings

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that said its decision aligned with CDC guidance and federal requirements based on transmission rates and was made following "extensive conversations with health care experts." It said the state health department will continue to track COVID-19 cases in Massachusetts and adjust as circumstances change.

The spokesperson noted that infection control leaders at several of the state's largest hospital systems have repeatedly asked the state health department to end its mandate even in advance of May 11. The spokesperson said that sentiment has also been expressed by several other people, including infectious disease physicians and providers.

While reported new infections have fallen dramatically since the winter, state data indicate an average of eight people continue to die each day from COVID. Coalition members note that state data on new COVID infections are likely an undercount because many people are not reporting the results of their at-home tests. And even when COVID transmission is low, health care settings remain the most likely places for high-risk people to encounter a COVID positive person, coalition members said.

Jirmanus relies on her elderly parents, who have chronic health conditions, for child care. If masks are removed in health care settings, she said she would feel unsafe taking her 16-month-old daughter in for necessary care because she is too young to mask and could pass COVID to Jirmanus's elderly parents. "I anticipate that I will forgo all preventive care and all but the high-risk/trauma emergency care until my child can reliably wear a well-fitting mask," said Jirmanus, who also has a toddler.

Elaine Hagopian, a 90-year-old Greater Boston resident who has chronic heart and breathing problems, said she would also think twice about going to the hospital. She said she still severely restricts social engagements and wears a mask in the elevator of her building.

"I would be concerned about having to go to the hospital," Hagopian said. "You go to solve one problem and you might get another problem."

Some states that had maintained masking in health care settings, such as California, New York, Oregon, and Washington, recently lifted those requirements. Yet other jurisdictions, such as Los Angeles County, have maintained mask rules.

Universal masking is more effective than one-way masking, especially when a masked person is surrounded by many unmasked people, some studies have found. With new deaths and COVID infections still reported daily, health care administrators are sorting through data, even carefully monitoring new COVID variants, to try to determine how they will approach the state's lifting of the mask rule.

"While most of the general population has been out and about, there are certainly people who have been very cautious not going out because they are immunosuppressed, and we want them to be safe coming into a health care environment," said Dr. Richard Ellison, hospital epidemiologist at UMass Memorial Medical Center, the largest health care provider in Central Massachusetts.

When Massachusetts lifts its mask mandate for health care settings, the state health department will require each facility to have an infection control and prevention framework in place, which may include mask requirements.

Ellison said UMass has not yet decided how it will approach the issue after May 11. "As we think about what we will do this spring, we are also trying to think about whether we will start having people wear masks again in the fall with flu, RSV, and COVID season," Ellison said.

"This is a time for us to be cautious. When we compare things to where we were in January and February, the number of cases have dropped off markedly, and we just hope the trend continues," he said. "We are not to the point yet to say the pandemic is over. We are hoping it's in the last legs, but we can't say yet the pandemic is past us."

Patricia Noga, vice president of clinical affairs for the Massachusetts Health and Hospital Association, said in a statement that administrators at each health care system are constructing their own masking policies, with input from infectious disease leaders, feedback from frontline workers, consideration for the needs of their patient population, and monitoring of local public health trends.

"They will be prepared to adapt their approach should any of those variables change over the course of time," she said. "We ask community members to remain aware of their local healthcare facilities' policies once this transition begins on May 11."

Dr. Ted Calianos, president of the Massachusetts Medical Society, said in a statement that Massachusetts today is better equipped to prevent a spike in COVID transmission because of treatments, testing, and vaccines that can be quickly deployed.

"If we return to a state of increased transmission and our public health experts report metrics that signal an increase of disease and risk in the community, we would advise all people who gather as part of a group indoors, including at health care facilities, to strongly consider masking for the protection of themselves and others," he said.

"We hope that those who choose to continue to mask in any setting are supported and that those who enter health care facilities that elect to require masking after May 11 will respectfully adhere to those policies."

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Gov. Sununu denounces Trump

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ter at the New Hampshire Institute of Politics.

Some political observers believe Trump's indictment could bolster his campaign in New Hampshire. Sununu agreed with that assessment, blaming Democrats for amplifying Trump through his indictment. "They've thrown gasoline on the fire of his prospects in terms of being president again," he said.

Many in the audience of around 200 were wondering about Sununu's own plans regarding the presidency. "People want to hear what Sununu has to say about his future," said Patrick Duffy, a Manchester business consultant.

Sununu remained coy about the possibility of running for president, although he indicated he is not planning to run for governor again. He's currently serving his fourth term. But his message and emphasis on national politics have left observers questioning whether he'll launch his own campaign — a decision he said he'd make over the summer and no later than Aug. 1.

"He's a presidential candidate," Senator Lou D'Allesandro, a Manchester Democrat, told the Globe after Sununu's remarks Wednesday. "He's thinking well beyond New Hampshire at this point. That speech totally indicates it."

Sununu promoted a centrist approach of working across the aisle and called closely divided government at the state and federal level a "huge opportunity to shun the extremes."

CHRIS SUNUNU

'We've got a great product on the Republican side. We are awful at advertising, branding, and messaging. We're just the worst."

"All that does is say we're not going to let crazy get through anymore," he said.

But he said Republican messaging has been missing the mark and failing to attract independent and young voters to the party. He said Republicans shouldn't focus exclusively on wokeness and cancel culture.

"We've got a great product on the Republican side," he said. "We are awful at advertising, branding, and messaging. We're just the worst. And what I'm trying to do across the country is bring independents back on board, disenfranchised young voters back on board. ... They don't like what they're seeing from top level leadership and the messaging there."

D'Allesandro said Sununu will have to create the center he's describing, because neither the left nor the right have done so.

But he added that he believes that approach will succeed in drawing independent voters.

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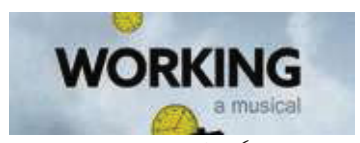

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COMMISSION FOR THE BLIND UPHEAVAL — Guide dog Tassie stood with Paul Saner, former commissioner for the Massachusetts Commission for the Blind, during an event following the resignation of David D'Arcangelo from the commission at the Massachusetts State House in Boston on Wednesday. D'Arcangelo is stepping down from his leadership post of four years, the state announced Tuesday, just days after a Globe report detailed turmoil within the agency, including allegations of verbal abuse, questionable spending, and subpar services.

City Council approves new climate-friendly state building code

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quirements for developers choosing to install fossil fuel connections, with varied energy efficiency requirements for different building types. That also includes requiring developers building with gas or oil to pay for additional electrical wiring so that buildings can easily become all-electric in the future, as well as the inclusion of solar panels on developments.

Brookline and Watertown were the first two communities to adopt the new building code, in mid-January. Boston will be the eighth community to opt in.

The adoption followed a press conference earlier this month where Wu announced she intended to adopt the code and also said she will designate $10 million to help affordable multifamily buildings become more energy efficient.

"What is abundantly clear is that all of our challenges and opportunities are interrelated," she said at a March 14 press conference. "Making our buildings more energy efficient doesn't just help us preserve our planet. It also improves indoor air quality, lowers operating costs, and reduces the energy costs burden for residents so that all of our housing is more affordable."

Burning fossil fuels for heat, cooling, and appliances in buildings accounts for nearly a third of emissions across the state of Massachusetts. In Boston, the share is even greater, with buildings accounting for nearly three-quarters of all planet-heating pollution.

Logan Malik, executive director of the Massachusetts Climate Action Network, said the adoption of the code will do more than help city officials cut greenhouse gas emissions.

"They will also be improving indoor air quality, increasing the resiliency of new buildings, and significantly reducing energy usage which could lead to reduced energy costs," he said.

The move could also boost environmental justice. Research shows that in Massachusetts, people of color are exposed to 55 percent more pollution from residential appliances compared to white communities, according to a 2021 paper.

"The City of Boston is committed to doing the work to protect the entire city, beginning with those communities that are bearing the biggest environmental burdens," said Rev. Mariama White-Hammond, chief of Environment, Energy and Open Space for Boston, in an e-mailed statement.

> 'What is abundantly clear is that all of our challenges and opportunities are interrelated.'
>
> MICHELLE WU, *mayor of Boston*

Wednesday's vote comes amid a slew of efforts to wean Boston off oil and gas. In January, Wu announced plans to require all new construction and major renovations of public buildings to be free of fossil fuels.

The city is also applying to participate in a pilot program that would allow 10 cities or towns to fully ban fossil fuels entirely from new construction and major renovations. Adopting the specialized code is a necessary requirement for participation.

The state will decide whether Boston can participate sometime after March 2024.

Lisa Cunningham, founder of the nonprofit ZeroCarbonMA, called Wednesday's vote a "watershed moment," but said the state should now go even further to support efforts to allow any number of municipalities to ban fossil fuels.

"Massachusetts residents want and deserve the opportunity to build healthier communities and pollution-free homes," she said.

The vote followed a meeting on Tuesday between councilors and city officials to hear more about the code, Arroyo said at the hearing.

The City Council was expected to vote on the building code at last week's hearing, but chose to delay over concerns from some representatives — including District 3 Councilor Frank Baker, Councilors At-Large Erin Murphy and Michael Flaherty, and Council President Ed Flynn — who expressed concern that the council did not hold a public hearing about the measure.

This left little opportunity to hear from stakeholders, particularly representatives from the building trade unions, such as electrical workers, pipefitters, and gas workers, the councilors said. All four voted against the measure on Wednesday.

"I just don't like the precedent it sets when we don't allow organized labor to speak on an important issue," said Flynn on Wednesday.

But Hessann Farooqi, advocacy director for Boston Climate Action Network, said the state went through a rigorous process when designing the code that included consultation with labor unions.

Farooqi said that Boston has more construction overall, and a wider variety of construction, than other communities that have approved the measure. In recent years, for instance, the city has seen a boom in the construction of labs and life science buildings, which have highly specific electricity and infrastructure requirements.

"We really can implement something as ambitious and important as this, despite the level of complexity that we see in Boston," he said. "This provides a very important [example] for other cities across the state and other large urban cities across the country who might be looking to do similar things."

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Councilor Bok to head BHA as city deals with housing crisis

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ters most to me, and there isn't something more important than trying to make it as strong as possible," she said. "Boston will be its best version of itself when we're putting BHA … and our public housing residents at the heart of everything we do."

A top priority for the organization is preserving the 10,000 public housing units it owns and manages, more than a third of which are currently in the pipeline for redevelopment, said Kate Bennett, the outgoing BHA administrator. Last year, Wu committed $50 million in city and federal funds toward repairs at the Mildred C. Hailey Apartments in Jamaica Plain. Even that sum barely dents the need.

Wu's push to transition BHA facilities away from fossil fuels will carry a hefty price tag, too. Bennett estimated that it would cost more than $1.5 billion to put "every single site on a solid physical and financial footing," as well as meet Wu's 2030 goal for weaning the facilities off of oil and gas.

Bennett will stay on as administrator through the end of July, overlapping with Bok for several months to ensure a smooth transition. Bok will officially assume the top role in August.

Bok "has always been passionate about the authority, and really committed to our mission," Bennett said in an interview this week. "She knows our staff, she knows our residents, so I just really believe she's the right person to move things forward."

SUZANNE KREITER/GLOBE STAFF

Councilor Kenzie Bok, a former senior policy adviser at the Boston Housing Authority, will return to lead the agency.

While the BHA's primary responsibilities are maintaining its facilities and ensuring the smooth administration of vouchers, Bok said it can be a powerful tool for policy change, too.

In 2019, as a policy advisor at the BHA, Bok led Boston's push for a seemingly small, but tremendously influential, change in the way Section 8 housing vouchers were valued. At the time, the vouchers were set at a flat rate for every neighborhood in Metropolitan Boston regardless of the market price in the area; the approach effectively funneled people who relied on vouchers into less-expensive neighborhoods such as Mattapan, Roxbury, and Dorchester. The BHA pushed to vary those rates, increasing the vouchers' value in more expensive neighborhoods so that voucher users could afford to live in those areas, too.

Three years later, BHA data show, more people who use vouchers are moving into higher-cost neighborhoods — what researchers call "high-opportunity" areas — a step toward integrating a city long stratified by race and income.

And as the region scrambles to build desperately needed homes, Bok has an eye on growing the city's public housing supply, too. Under a federal provision known as the Faircloth Limit, Boston is entitled to funding for roughly 2,500 more housing units than it currently has, Bok said. That means if the city creates those homes, the federal government is obligated to subsidize them.

Bok didn't offer a specific timeline, but asked how many she might look to create, and when, replied: "I like solving for the whole problem."

"If we can get up to 2,500 more Faircloth units, how do we get that done?" Bok said. In one project above the West End branch of the Boston Public Library, the city is looking to create 20 new units of public housing, she said, and the BHA is evaluating other potential sites as well.

At 33, Bok will be one of the youngest people to ever lead the housing authority. A Bay Village native and Harvard College graduate, she studied at the University of Cambridge in the United Kingdom as a Marshall Scholar and earned a doctorate in history, specializing in the philosopher John Rawls. Since her election in 2019, Bok has represented a district that spans from Beacon Hill to Mission Hill.

Bok, who has led past council budget processes and spearheaded the body's work on allocating American Rescue Plan Act funds, is one of the council's foremost policy wonks and procedural experts — and, often, one of Wu's best council allies. Her departure from the legislative body opens a vacancy that will be filled by special election later this year, and could leave the 13-member council with just 12 members for a number of major votes, including on the city budget. Since councilors need nine votes to override the mayor's veto, her absence could prove significant; the council has often splintered 9–4, with Bok and the other more progressive councilors in the majority.

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FDIC

PUBLICATION NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEPOSITORS OF SILICON VALLEY BRIDGE BANK, N.A. SANTA CLARA, CA

On **March 27, 2023** (the "Closing Date"), the **Office of the Comptroller of the Currency** closed **SILICON VALLEY BRIDGE BANK, N.A., Santa Clara, CA** (the "Failed Institution") and appointed the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (the "FDIC") as Receiver (the "Receiver") to handle all matters relating to the Failed Institution.

TO THE CREDITORS OF THE FAILED INSTITUTION

All creditors having claims against the Failed Institution must submit their claims in writing, together with proof of the claims, to the Receiver **on or before July 10, 2023** (the "Claims Bar Date"). You may submit your proof of claim form via our interactive FDIC Claims Portal at https://resolutions.fdic.gov/claimsportal/s/, the FDIC website at https://www.fdic.gov/resources/forms/deposit-claims-and-asset-sales/index.html, or by calling 972-761-8677.

Claims may be submitted through the FDIC Claims Portal, or mailed to the following address:

FDIC as Receiver of
Silicon Valley Bridge Bank, N.A.
600 North Pearl Street, Suite 700, Dallas, TX 75201
Attention: Claim Agent **10542**

Under federal law 12 U.S.C. Section 1821(d)(5)(C), failure to file a claim on or before the Claims Bar Date will result in the Receiver disallowing the claim. The disallowance is final.

NOTE TO CLASS CLAIMANTS: By law, the Receiver will not accept a claim filed on behalf of a proposed class of individuals or entities or a class of individuals or entities certified by a court. EACH individual or entity must file a separate claim with the Receiver.

TO THE DEPOSITORS OF THE FAILED INSTITUTION

The FDIC, which insures your deposits in its corporate capacity, arranged for the transfer of all deposits ("Deposits") - including the uninsured amounts - at the Failed Institution to another insured depository institution, **First–Citizens Bank & Trust Company, Raleigh, NC** (the "New Institution"). This arrangement should minimize any inconvenience from the closing of the Failed Institution.

All deposits were fully insured and transferred to **First–Citizens Bank & Trust Company, Raleigh, NC.** If you disagree with the FDIC's determination of your insurance coverage as represented by the account(s) made available at the New Institution, you may request a review of the FDIC's determination in the United States District Court where the Failed Institution was located. You must request this review no later than 60 days after the date on which your deposits became available to you at **First–Citizens Bank & Trust Company, Raleigh, NC.** Requesting a review will not prevent you from using the funds in your new account.

You may leave your Deposits in the New Institution, but you must take action to claim ownership of your Deposits. Under federal law (Unclaimed Deposits Amendments Act of 1993 (12 U.S.C. Section 1822(e)), you must claim ownership of your deposits at **First–Citizens Bank & Trust Company, Raleigh, NC** within eighteen (18) months from the Closing Date, which is **September 27, 2024. Official Items issued by the Failed Institution; such as, cashier's checks, dividend checks, interest checks, expense checks, and money orders are considered Deposits and must also be claimed within 18 months from the Closing Date**. You may claim your deposits at **First–Citizens Bank & Trust Company, Raleigh, NC** by taking any one of the following actions. If you have more than one deposit account, your action will automatically claim your deposits for all accounts.

1. Make a deposit to or withdrawal from your account(s), including writing a check on any account, automatic direct deposits, or automatic withdrawals.
2. Execute a new signature card on your account(s), enter into a new deposit agreement with the New Institution, change the ownership on your account(s), or renegotiate the terms of your certificate of deposit account(s).
3. Provide the New Institution with a completed change of address form.
4. Write to the New Institution at the address below and ask that your account(s) remain active. In your letter, include the type of the account(s): checking, savings, money market, etc., the name(s) on the account(s), the account number(s), and the signature of an authorized signer on the account(s), with your name and address.

3003 Tasman Dr., Santa Clara, CA 95054

If you do not claim ownership of your Deposits at the New Institution by **September 27, 2024**, federal law requires these unclaimed deposits be transferred to the State's Unclaimed Property Division, according to your address listed with the Failed Institution. If your address is outside of the United States, the FDIC will deliver your deposits to the State in which the Failed Institution had its main office. According to the Unclaimed Deposits Amendments Act of 1993 (12 U.S.C. Section 1822(e)), **you will have ten years to claim your deposits from the State's Unclaimed Property Division according to the state's unclaimed property laws. If you do not claim your deposits from the State within the ten-year period, federal law prohibits you from claiming your deposits.**

If the State does not take custody of your Deposits, after the 18-month period, you may claim your Deposits from the FDIC until the receivership is terminated. A receivership can be terminated at any time. Once the receivership terminates, you will not be able to claim your deposits.

If you have a loan with the Failed Institution, and you would like to discuss offsetting your insured and/or uninsured Deposit(s) against the loan, visit the FDIC Claims Portal (https://resolutions.fdic.gov/claimsportal/s/), or call 972-761-2112.

LEGAL NOTICE
MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Linda Perry to MetLife Home Loans, a Division of MetLife Bank, N.A., dated December 7, 2011 and recorded in Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 48784, Page 88 (the "Mortgage") of which mortgage Mortgage Assets Management, LLC is the present holder by Assignment from MetLife Home Loans, a Division of MetLife Bank, N.A. to Nationstar Mortgage LLC dated August 17, 2012 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 50186, Page 184, and Assignment from Nationstar Mortgage LLC to Mortgage Assets Management, LLC dated January 21, 2022 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 67252, Page 5, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 82-84 P Street a/k/a 84 P Street, South Boston (Boston), MA 02127 will be sold at a Public Auction at 3:00 PM on May 4, 2023, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated on P Street, South Boston, Suffolk County, Massachusetts, being shown as Lot 9 and a portion of Lot 12 on a plan recorded in Suffolk Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 2630, Page 362.

Being all and the same premises conveyed to mortgagor(s) by deed dated 08/22/1994 and recorded with Suffolk Registry of Deeds in Book 19271, Page 206, as follows:

The land in that part of Boston called South Boston, with the buildings thereon numbered 82-84 P Street, being Lot 9 and a portion of Lot 12 on a plan by William Kelly, C.W., dated August 28, 1898, recorded with Suffolk Deeds, Book 2630, Page 362, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning on the easterly line of P Street at a point distant sixty-five (65) feet Southerly from Broadway; and

Thence running Easterly by Lots 10 and 11 and through Lot 12 on said plan, eighty eight and 50/100 (88.50) feet;

Thence running Southerly by Lot 13, on said plan, thirty (30) feet;

Thence running Westerly by Lot 8, on said plan, eighty-eight and 50/100 (88.50) feet to said P Street;

Thence running Northerly on said P Street, thirty (30) feet to the point of beginning.

Containing 2655 square feet.

Being the same premises conveyed to Nora T. Finnerty, Mary T. Finnerty and Thomas M. Finnerty by deed dated December 1, 1970 and recorded with the Suffolk Registry of Deeds in Book 8406, Page 408.

For mortgagor's title see deed recorded with the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 19271, Page 206.

The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession.

Terms of the Sale: Cashier's or certified check in the sum of $10,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee(s) are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign written Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid; balance of purchase price payable by certified check in thirty (30) days from the date of the sale at the offices of mortgagee's attorney, Korde & Associates, P.C., 900 Chelmsford Street, Suite 3102, Lowell, MA or such other time as may be designated by mortgagee. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

Mortgage Assets Management, LLC
Korde & Associates, P.C.
900 Chelmsford Street
Suite 3102
Lowell, MA 01851
(978) 256-1500
Perry, Linda, 22-041614

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

MASSACHUSETTS BAY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
Solicitation for Engineering, Architectural, and Design Consulting Services for the Green Line Riverside and GLX Vehicle Maintenance Facilities Upgrades and Vehicle Testing Facility.
MBTA CONTRACT NUMBER R21PS01

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATION

The Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority is soliciting Engineering, Architectural, and Design Consulting Services for Green Line Riverside and GLX Vehicle Maintenance Facilities Upgrades and Vehicle Testing Facility.

The project goal is for the Green Line Facilities Project, to upgrade car house facilities at the Green Line Extension (GLX) Vehicle Maintenance Facility and the Riverside Vehicle Maintenance Facility, and to build and operate a new Vehicle Testing Facility at GLX. These upgrades and additions are necessary to inspect and operate the existing facilities repair and maintain the proposed Type 10 vehicles.

The scope of services will be authorized on professional services contract basis. The duration of this contract will be two years from the date of Notice to Proceed, with two (2) option period of one (1) year each.

This project is expected to utilize state funding. The DBE participation goal for this project is 20% of the total amount authorized. In addition, the Authority strongly encourages the use of Minority, Women and Disadvantaged Business Enterprises as prime consultants, sub-consultants, and suppliers in all its contracting opportunities.

The complete Request for Qualifications can be found on the MBTA website. Please see the following link:

https://bc.mbta.com/business_center/bidding_solicitations/current_solicitations/

This is not a Request for Proposal. The MBTA reserves the right to cancel this procurement or to reject any or all Statements of Qualifications.

Gina Fiandaca
MassDOT Secretary & CEO

Jeffrey Gonneville
General Manager

MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE AND SECURED PARTY NOTIFICATION OF DISPOSITION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in that certain mortgage given by **805 MAIN STREET LLC**, a limited liability company organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and having a principal address of One Lewis Wharf, Boston, Massachusetts 02110 ("Mortgagor" or "805 Main") to **EAST CAMBRIDGE SAVINGS BANK**, a Commonwealth of Massachusetts banking corporation having a principal office at 292 Cambridge Street, Cambridge, MA 02141 ("Mortgagee"), dated December 13, 2019, and recorded with the Middlesex (South) County Registry of Deeds ("Registry") in **Book 73820, Page 71** (the "Mortgage"), of which the undersigned is the present holder, for breach and default of the conditions of the Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the Mortgagee will offer the real property described in said Mortgage and located at **793 – 805 MAIN STREET, CAMBRIDGE, MIDDLESEX (SOUTH) COUNTY, MASSACHUSETTS**, further described on **Exhibit A** annexed hereto and specifically incorporated herein by reference, together with all improvements situated thereon and the appurtenant rights associated therewith (collectively, the "**Mortgaged Premises**") and, pursuant to a secured party public sale under Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code, together with and not separately from the Mortgaged Premises, certain personal property assets of Mortgagor, related to, or used in connection with, the Mortgaged Premises in which the Mortgagee has been granted a security interest (collectively, the "**Personal Property**", and together with the Mortgaged Premises, collectively, the "**Mortgaged Property**"), for sale together at public auction on **TUESDAY, MAY 2, 2023, at 11:00 A.M.** The sale described above will be referred to hereinafter, as the "**Sale**".

TERMS OF SALE. A deposit of **ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND AND 00/100 DOLLARS ($100,000.00)** shall be required to be paid by the highest bidder to the Mortgagee for the Mortgaged Property. The deposit shall be made by a certified check or bank cashier's check at the time and place of the Sale, as a non-refundable earnest money deposit to be held at the option of the Mortgagee as liquidated damages for any default or breach by the highest bidder (cash will **NOT** be accepted). The deposit shall be increased to an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the highest bid at the Sale, which amount is to be paid to the Mortgagee within ten (10) calendar days of the date of the Sale. The balance of the purchase price for the Mortgaged Property is to be paid to the Mortgagee by federal funds wire transfer of immediately available funds in or within thirty (30) calendar days from the date of the Sale, **WITH TIME BEING OF THE ESSENCE**.

The Sale shall be held on the portion of the Mortgaged Premises known and numbered as **805 Main Street, Cambridge, Middlesex County, Massachusetts**. The Mortgaged Property is to be sold together with, subject to, and with the benefit of, all easements, restrictions, orders of condition, building and zoning laws, unpaid taxes, tax titles, water bills, environmental liens or restrictions, municipal liens and assessments, rights of tenants and parties in possession, existing encumbrances, and assessments, and all other claims in the nature of liens, now existing or hereafter arising, having priority over the Mortgage, if any there be. The Mortgaged Property is also sold subject to the right of redemption of the United States of America, if any there be. The Mortgagee may, at its option, either sell the Mortgaged Property to the second highest bidder at the Sale or assume the highest bid should the highest bidder fail to fulfill the highest bidder's obligations under terms of a sales agreement to be entered into with the Mortgagee immediately after the Sale, provided that the Mortgagee in its discretion may require, (i) the second highest bidder to deposit with the Mortgagee the amount of the required deposit as set forth herein with five (5) business days after written notice to the second highest bidder of the default of the highest bidder, (ii) the second highest bidder to execute a sales agreement and/or assume the obligations of the sales agreement executed by the highest bidder, and (iii) the payment of the balance of the purchase price of the Mortgaged Property to the Mortgagee within thirty (30) days of said written notice, **WITH TIME BEING OF THE ESSENCE** unless the Mortgagee agrees otherwise. In the event that the highest bidder defaults under such sales agreement and the Mortgagee sells the Mortgaged Property to the second highest bidder, the Mortgagee may, at its option, assume the second highest bid should the second highest bidder fail to fulfill its obligations under such sales agreement. No such assumption of the highest or second highest bid or sale of the Mortgaged Property by the Mortgagee to such second highest bidder shall relieve the highest or second highest bidder, as applicable, from its obligations under such sales agreement nor operate as a waiver by the Mortgagee of its rights and remedies against the highest or second highest bidder at the Sale.

In the event of any typographical errors in the publication of the legal description of the Mortgaged Premises in the Notice of Sale, the legal description contained in the Mortgage shall control.

THE SALE OF THE MORTGAGED PROPERTY WILL BE OFFERED AND SOLD "AS IS", "WHERE IS", AND "WITH ALL FAULTS", LATENT OR PATENT, AND SUBJECT TO ALL PRIOR ENCUMBRANCES, AND WITHOUT ANY WARRANTIES OR REPRESENTATIONS WHETHER EXPRESS, IMPLIED, OR IMPOSED BY LAW. The transfer of the Mortgaged Property will be made and accepted by the highest bidder without any other expressed or implied representations or warranties whatsoever, including, but not limited to, representations regarding acreage, description of the Mortgaged Property, uses, rent rolls, leases, outstanding taxes, liens and encumbrances, title and/or title matters, availability of any utilities, building permits, occupancy, any matter relating to any structure on the Mortgaged Premises, or any other matter. The highest bidder shall be deemed to have expressly acknowledged by participation in the Sale that any warranty or representation, other than those contained herein, are without authority and that the highest bidder has duly inspected the Mortgaged Property, the title thereto, the occupancy thereof, and all other matters in connection with the Sale by itself and by its own experts, including counsel, as the highest bidder has elected to consult. To the extent that the Mortgaged Property and the transfer hereunder include fixtures or other personalty, then all such items shall be conveyed **"AS-IS", "WHERE-IS" and "WITH ALL FAULTS". THE MORTGAGEE EXPRESSLY DISCLAIMS ALL WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. THE MORTGAGEE EXPRESSLY DISCLAIMS ALL WARRANTIES REGARDING TITLE TO ANY SUCH FIXTURES OR OTHER PERSONALTY**. From and after the conclusion of the Sale, all risk of loss or damage to the Mortgaged Property shall pass to, and be borne by, the highest bidder.

The Mortgagee reserves the right to credit bid at the Sale, to advance its bid at the Sale, and to pause and/or postpone the Sale by auctioneer's public proclamation. The Mortgagee further reserves the right to change terms of the Sale at the Sale or to add additional terms and to qualify some or all bidders.

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the Sale.
EAST CAMBRIDGE SAVINGS BANK,

Present holder of said Mortgage

By Its Attorneys,
Robert D. Costello, Esquire
Costello & Landrigan
421 Highland Avenue
Somerville, MA 02144
Tel: (617) 625-4322
Email: rdcostello@costellolandrigan.com
Dated: April 5, 2023

Exhibit A
(Mortgaged Premises)

Property Descriptions

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situated in that part of Cambridge, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, called Cambridgeport, and bounded:

SOUTHWESTERLY by Main Street, in said Cambridge, about one hundred and six (106.00) feet;

NORTHWESTERLY by Cherry Street, about one hundred (100.00) feet;

NORTHEASTERLY in part, by land now or formerly of Dana, and in part by land now
or formerly of Hovey, about one hundred and six (106.00) feet; and

SOUTHEASTERLY by land now or formerly of the said City of Cambridge, about one hundred (100.00) feet.

Be all of said measurements more or less.

For title see deed of John A. Pappas, Trustee of The 793-805 Main Street Realty Trust, recorded with Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds in Book 72340, Page 581

(SEAL)
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Land Court Department
Of the Trial Court

SUFFOLK, SS. CASE NO. 20 MISC 000305(DRR)

Estate of Marjorie B. Johnson, Linda Arlene Fisher, PR, Linda Arlene Fisher, Individually
vs.
Julia Arrington, Trustee of Marjorie B. Johnson Estate Trust, et al

TO: Marjorie B. Johnson, deceased, formerly of Boston, Suffolk County, and said Commonwealth; Gregory Hudson, deceased, formerly of Medford, Middlesex County, and said Commonwealth; Greta Bragd, deceased, formerly of San Antonio in the State of Texas; James Hudson, deceased, formerly of Holly Springs in the State of North Carolina; Holland Berdell Hudson and Eunice Whitted Hudson, both deceased, both formerly of Goldsboro in the State of North Carolina; Verline Perry, deceased, formerly of Washington in the District of Columbia; Roland A. Perry and Dennis H. Perry, both deceased, both formerly of Washington in the District of Columbia and later of parts unknown; Felicia T. Baker, deceased, formerly of Temple Hills and also formerly of Clinton, both in the State of Maryland; or their heirs, devisees or legal representatives.

You are hereby notified that a complaint has been filed by the above-named plaintiffs in which you are named as an interested party. This complaint concerns a certain parcel of land in Boston, Suffolk County, and said Commonwealth being known as and numbered 162 Humboldt Avenue and being more particularly described in a deed from Marjorie B. Johnson to The Marjorie B. Johnson Trust and Reuben S. Dawkins as Trustee, said deed being dated July 18, 2009 and recorded in the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in book 46653, Page 34, Plaintiffs seek a judgment that said deed recorded with the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 46653, Page 35 is null and void because grantee, The Marjorie B. Johnson Trust, was defective and void, that the Estate of Marjorie B. Johnson holds its title to said parcel free from any claims of the defendants and such other relief as the Court deems just and appropriate.

This complaint may be examined at the Land Court, Boston, Massachusetts, or a copy obtained from plaintiff's attorney.

If you intend to make any defense, you are hereby required to serve upon the plaintiff's attorney, Tony V. Blaize, Esq., Law Offices of Tony V. Blaize, P.C., whose address is 183 State Street, Suite 6, Boston, MA 02109 answer to the complaint on or before the fifteenth day of May, next, the return day, hereof, and copy thereof must be filed in this court on or before said day.

If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for relief demanded in this complaint. Unless otherwise provided by Rule 13(a), your answer must state as a counterclaim any claim which you may have against the plaintiff which arise out of the transaction or occurrence that is the subject matter of the plaintiffs' claim, or you will thereafter be barred from making such claim in any other action.

It is ORDERED that notice be given by publishing a copy of this notice on in the Boston Globe, a newspaper published in Boston in the county of Suffolk and said commonwealth t least thirty days before the fifteenth day of May.

Witness, Gordon H. Piper, Cheif Justice of the Land Court, the seventeenth day of March 2023.

Deborah J. Patterson
Recorder

TRUST CITATION
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
(617)788-8300
Docket No. SU23P0657PO

In the matter of: D. Janet H. Hopton Revocable Trust

To all interested persons: A Petition has been filed by: Lawrence B Cohen of Boston, MA, requesting Petition for Allowance of 1st Account, Article Second of D. Janet H. Hopton Revocable Trust.

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on 05/02/2023.
This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.

WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: March 27, 2023

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INVITATION FOR BIDS
NERAC22 – NEMLEC
Tactical Headsets

The Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC), on behalf of the Northeast Homeland Security Regional Advisory Council and in its role as Statewide Homeland Security Fiduciary, invites bids for tactical headsets and adapters. IFB information packets will be available starting April 6, 2023, at 9:00AM by contacting Brad Downey at 617-933-0755 or bdowney@mapc.org. Sealed bids will be opened on **April 21, 2023, at 11:00AM ET** via a virtual bid opening. Additional information on the bid opening can be found in the complete Invitation for Bids. MAPC reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Matthew Noon to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, acting solely as nominee for Prime Mortgage Financial, Inc., dated July 31, 2006 and recorded in Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 39485, Page 256 (the "Mortgage") of which mortgage LoanCare, LLC is the present holder by Assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Prime Mortgage Financial, Inc., its successors and assigns to Green Tree Servicing LLC dated May 13, 2015 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 53711, Page 165, and Assignment from Ditech Financial LLC f/k/a Green Tree Servicing LLC to New Residential Mortgage LLC dated November 13, 2019 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 61411, Page 227, and Assignment from New Residential Mortgage LLC to LoanCare, LLC dated April 8, 2020 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 64644, Page 327, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 7 Bourne Street, Clinton, MA 01510 will be sold at a Public Auction at 3:00 PM on April 20, 2023, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

All my right, title and interest in and to the land situated on Bourne Street in Clinton, Worcester County, Massachusetts with the building thereon bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at a stone bound on the southerly side of Bourne Street, the northwesterly corner of the lot now or formerly of Jennie (Bourne) Lawrence;

THENCE northwesterly by the southerly line of Bourne Street sixty (60) feet to a stone bound;

THENCE southwesterly in a straight line by land now or formerly of Mary E. Bourne one hundred eleven and 5/10 (111.5) feet to a point at other land of said Mary E. Bourne;

THENCE southeasterly by other land of said Mary E. Bourne eight (8) feet to a point;

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Eamon Shelton,
Commissioner

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You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on April 20, 2023.
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Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.

Date: March 08, 2023

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TO: Leanne D. Lahar

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Witness, GORDON H. PIPER Chief Justice of this Court on 3/30/2023.
Attest: Deborah J. Patterson, Recorder

NOTICE OF INITIAL SITE INVESTIGATION AND TIER II CLASSIFICATION

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BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS
RTN 3-37371

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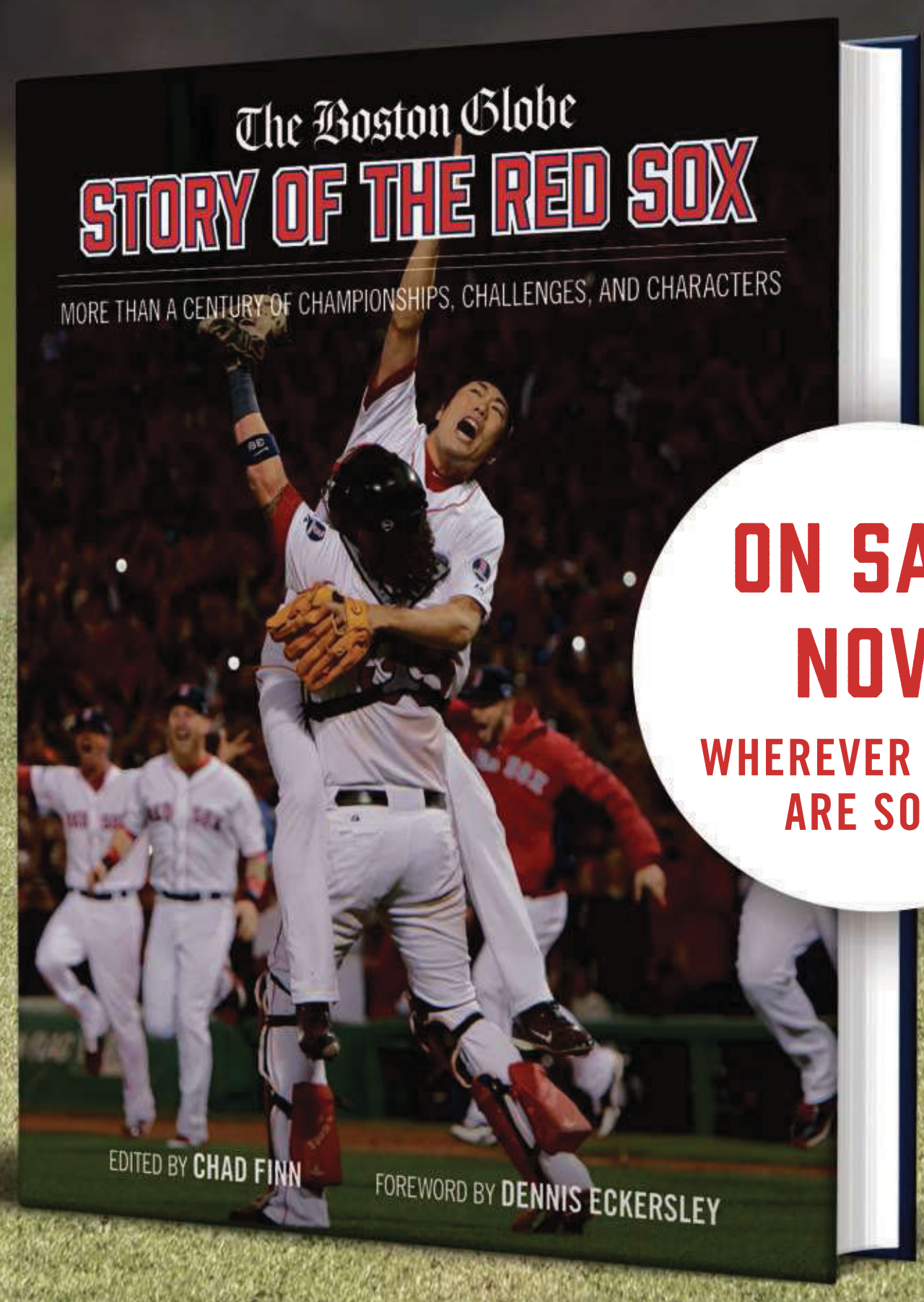
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‘It’s all about the layers’

Scientists and creatives alike worked with choreographer Nanine Linning on Boston Ballet’s ambitious new commission ‘La Mer’

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Daniel Rubin and María Álvarez at a Boston Ballet rehearsal for “La Mer.” Below: “La Mer” choreographer Nanine Linning.

By Karen Campbell
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

With the world premiere of Nanine Linning’s ambitious “La Mer” Thursday night, Boston Ballet unveils what artistic director Mikko Nissinen calls its most complex project to date, pushing boundaries on every front and driven by a lofty goal. The multi-disciplinary work seeks to highlight the ocean’s role in sustaining the planet; collaborators on the piece include the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution (WHOI), for which the project offers a new way to convey the vital importance of ocean preservation.

“La Mer” is part of Boston Ballet’s “Our Journey” program running April 6-16 at Citizens Bank Opera House. It is paired with Justin Peck’s 25-dancer ballet “Everywhere We Go,” set to a nine-movement orchestral score by Sufjan Stevens. The award-winning Peck and his acclaimed work have generated their own share of media buzz, but the 50-minute “La Mer,” which involves a huge ensemble of 33 dancers, is the program’s big draw.

“It’s all about the layers,” says Nissinen, noting the international team of collaborators brought in for the work. Linning’s choreography is complemented not only by Debussy’s luminous “La Mer” and “Sirènes,” performed live by the Boston Ballet Orchestra and the Boston women’s vocal group Lorelei Ensemble, but also by multichannel electronic soundscapes by Cypriot composer Yannis Kyriakides. Dutch visual artist Heleen Blanken uses unique software to create digital video scenography she hopes will evoke an awe of nature and our role in the natural world, bringing audiences “close to something wild and alive,” as she describes it. Dramaturg Peggy Olislaegers, Linning’s longtime creative partner and artistic adviser, guided the work’s contextual arc, and Japanese costume designer Yuima Nakazato created more than 80 costumes, including one that appears to dissolve onstage, leaving the dancer cloaked in darkness.

“It’s going to be an unbelievable piece of dance theater,” Nissinen claims. “Climate change and the state of our oceans is a serious issue for everybody. We just want to make a piece of art that makes people think, and I think it’s gonna wow people. ... It’s so original, so different, so profound.”

Linning is still relatively unknown in the United States, though Nissinen says the award-winning Dutch choreographer has “a “cultlike following” in Europe. She made her American debut with Boston Ballet via her dance film “La Voix Humaine,” created during COVID. “La Mer” will be Linning’s first live performance work for a North American company.

Linning says the team collaborated to help conjure a new world where dance and music merge with video, set, and light to impart a sense of urgency to a subject dear to her heart. “I am in love with the ocean,” says Linning, who is also a rescue diver. “I strongly feel and believe I come from the ocean. Over the last 10 years, I have read more and more about climate change and the impact on our oceans.”

Her vision for “La Mer” germinated for several years before she started work in earnest over the past year. The movement, performed by the dancers wearing socks instead of slippers, is distinctly non-balletic, featuring elastic limbs and upper body. She says she works with a “highly embodied physicality” that incorporates input from the dancers. “I want to reflect their voices and body language and use what they have to offer.”

During a recent rehearsal, swooping, spiraling lifts dissolved into fluid undulations, curls, and spins that sent the dancers rippling to the floor. But as Debussy’s score fractured into Kyriakides’s electronic roars and rumbles, the dancers stabbed and lunged, limbs jagged or coiling in contortions, reflecting ocean areas so compromised by pollution that there is no oxygen left and nothing can live there. “I wanted to create that feeling, translate that into the body,” she says, “the nervous panic, trouble breathing. I talk to the dancers about those physicalities, and that generates emotion [that] is accessible to anyone.”

Linning wants to reflect not only the beauty and power of the sea, but also the peril of undervaluing its importance to the planet’s survival. Multiple visits between the creative team and WHOI scientists helped ground and fuel the work. (Boston Ballet is chronicling the process through a docuseries posted on its YouTube channel.) WHOI senior scientist Larry Pratt says the project shows how art can “deepen understanding and highlight hope and solutions for the future” by summoning emotions in a way that statistics and numbers cannot.

Linning says the collaboration is giving her a way to join a broader dialogue and use her art to advocate for change. “I feel so humble to stand on the shoulders of these researchers,” she says. “I had the idea that so many messages from scientists were not being heard, yet [they] were so hopeful, full of passion and energy and sharing knowledge.”

She hopes “La Mer” will “inspire people to want to be part of the solution, to be curious and ask: ‘What else can I do?’”

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BOSTON BALLET PRESENTS “OUR JOURNEY”
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BOOKS

Clockwise from top left: Saeed Jones, Lan Samantha Chang, and Charlayne Hunter-Gault.

Three New England authors receive Anisfield-Wolf awards

By Abigail Lee
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

The Cleveland Foundation announced the 2023 Anisfield-Wolf Book Awards recipients Monday, and three are New England-based authors.

Now in its 88th year, the annual award is “the only American book prize focusing on works that address racism and diversity,” according to the award’s website. The prize recognizes fiction, nonfiction, and poetry books as well as lifetime achievement. This year’s five winners are Geraldine Brooks for the novel “Horse,” Lan Samantha Chang for the novel “The Family Chao,” Matthew F. Delmont for the nonfiction book “Half American: The Epic Story of African Americans Fighting World War II at Home and Abroad,” Saeed Jones for the poetry collection “Alive at the End of the World,” and Charlayne Hunter-Gault for a lifetime achievement recognition.

“These remarkable books deliver groundbreaking insights on race and diversity,” jury chairman Henry Louis Gates Jr. said in a press release.

The prize also awards recipients $10,000, the website states. Brooks lives on Martha’s Vineyard, as does Hunter-Gault for part of the year. Delmont, who is the Sherman Fairchild Distinguished Professor of History at Dartmouth College, lives in Etna, N.H.

In addition to Gates, jury members are Rita Dove, Joyce Carol Oates, Steven Pinker, and Simon Schama. Previous notable winners of the Anisfield-Wolf Book Awards, founded by poet Edith Anisfield Wolf in 1935, include Martin Luther King Jr., Toni Morrison, and Nadine Gordimer.

“[Edith Anisfield Wolf’s] notion that literature can ignite justice is valid nearly 90 years later, and we are honored to add the 2023 winners to the canon,” awards manager Karen R. Long said.

A ceremony for the winners will be held Sept. 28 in Cleveland at Case Western Reserve University’s Maltz Performing Arts Center.

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CLASSICAL

From Joshua Bell, more of the same

By A.Z. Madonna
GLOBE STAFF

If you bought a ticket to violinist Joshua Bell and pianist Daniil Trifonov’s recital at Symphony Hall on Tuesday evening, you got exactly what you paid for. This was an evening of music for violin and piano by Beethoven, Prokofiev, Bloch, and Franck, with requisite encores, starring one of the most recognized violinists in the country, if not the world. Bell performed all of these exactly as you may have expected them, which is to say, he performed like Joshua Bell.

Bell is a showman, a deliberate one. In his comments before the second half, he pointed out that the Franck piece was written for Eugène Ysaÿe (who taught Bell’s own teacher, Josef Gingold) and reminisced with a hint of nostalgia about the days when “violinists were rock stars.” Those days are still here, if only for Bell. Compare his performance (or any video you can find of him on a stage) to the famous experiment he conducted with the Washington Post, where he played incognito in the Washington, D.C., Metro: At Symphony Hall, all evening he was in motion, bouncing and swaying and bending at the knees as if possessed by the sheer power of the music. In the busking experiment, he barely shuffled back and forth.

He knows how to work a crowd like a rock star, and at Tuesday’s recital, presented by Celebrity Series of Boston, he certainly had a crowd. But the first two pieces of the evening, Beethoven’s youthful Violin Sonata No. 1 and Prokofiev’s dark Violin Sonata No. 1, didn’t reward his tendency to lay it on thick. Prokofiev described the wispy, muted violin scales at the beginning and end of his sonata as evoking “wind through a graveyard,” but Bell’s intonation was consistently brash and soloistic. He was agile with his bow during the score’s busier moments, though several passages in the Beethoven and Prokofiev that could have been lyrical and songlike instead sounded wrung out and dry. Overall, the effect made the Beethoven and Prokofiev sound much the same.

His sonic palette was quite limited, in contrast to Trifonov, who was pulling expressive weight for two at the piano. All the nuance that was missing from the violin, I found in the pianist’s hands. He followed the music’s trajectory as set by Bell, but there were subtle shimmering variations in dynamics and intonation, phrases that felt as tactile as pebbles in a river and as smooth as sea glass. Where Bell’s sound frayed, Trifonov’s foundation was robust and solid no matter how quiet. Twenty years Bell’s junior, Trifonov has built an international reputation as a sensitive and captivating player, and he proved it’s well deserved in this recital, never demanding the spotlight as Bell did, but commanding attention nonetheless.

Bloch’s contemplative “Nigun” sounded better on Bell, as did Franck’s Violin Sonata, an evergreen showpiece for violinists. The final movement was electrifying, Bell and Trifonov finally on the same wavelength. Trifonov’s playing was effectively understated, a holdover from the days when collaborative pianists truly played second fiddle (pun intended) to the soloist. At the end of the night, they knew how to leave the audience wanting more, and Bell had come prepared with encores by Clara Schumann and Brahms, banter to match, and a final burst of virtuosic fiddling to send the crowd home smiling.

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Violinist Joshua Bell and pianist Daniil Trifonov performed together at Symphony Hall.

MUSIC REVIEW

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It seems that Rafael Devers can't bear to show his face after lining into a double play to end the sixth inning.

Red Sox unravel

It all fell apart in a few minutes as they get swept by Pirates

By Alex Speier
GLOBE STAFF

Pirates 4
Red Sox 1

Numbing cold befell the Red Sox on Wednesday at Fenway Park, yet the 41-degree game-time temperature was only partly responsible.

The Red Sox absorbed a 4-1 loss to the Pirates to conclude a hit-the-road, three-game brooming in their home ballpark. As they packed for their first road trip of the season, the Sox carried not only a sub-.500 (2-4) record but also a sense of disconcertment about their performance.

"We didn't play good baseball," rued manager Alex Cora. "Games like this, they're disappointing to everybody, not just me."

A few minutes distilled a day of discombobulation. With the Sox trailing, 2-0, in the seventh inning, Pirates catcher Jason Delay thumped a leadoff double off the wall in left-center against reliever Kaleb Ort.

When Oneil Cruz followed with a grounder to first, first baseman Triston Casas eschewed the sure out and instead elected to make a cross-diamond throw in hopes of getting the lead runner. The throw was tardy, turning a man-on-third, one-out situation into a two-on, no-out mess.

"I feel like we needed a big play to shift

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► Chad Finn takes his annual look at the comparables for this year's Sox. C5

BARRY CHIN/GLOBE STAFF

Red Sox left fielder Masataka Yoshida leaps, but can't come up with a drive by the Pirates' Bryan Reynolds in the sixth.

Celtics grit one out, lock up No. 2 seed

By Adam Himmelsbach
GLOBE STAFF

Celtics 97
Raptors 93

The Celtics have mostly navigated this regular season efficiently and smoothly. They avoided major injuries and extended losing streaks. And when minor ruts arrived, Boston responded with patience and perspective rather than alarm.

Ten months ago, this team came within two wins of a championship. The near-miss was crushing, and the players wanted to get back to that point more than anything. But there was no fast-forward button. Sometimes they looked a little bored.

But they pushed ahead and tried to view the long regular season through a wider lens, understanding that the big games — the biggest games — would arrive soon enough. And now, they are finally in sight.

On Wednesday night the undermanned Celtics disposed of the Raptors, a team still fighting for its playoff life, 97-93. The win combined with the Bucks' victory over the Bulls locked Boston into the No. 2 seed in the Eastern Conference playoffs with two games remaining.

"We got a lot of guys, veteran guys, who've been here and done it before," Celtics forward Jaylen Brown said. "So, it's that time of the year. We've just got to keep each other going, make no excuse and come out and play basketball."

Even though the Celtics once hoped to secure the No. 1 seed, Wednesday's results were probably ideal. With the win, the Celt-

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ERIN CLARK/GLOBE STAFF

Robert Williams had 7 points, 8 rebounds, and made attacking the rim a difficult task for Toronto's Scottie Barnes.

GARY WASHBURN
ON BASKETBALL

From the start, Brogdon a nice fit

This is why the Celtics acquired Malcolm Brogdon in the offseason. Brad Stevens, the team's president of basketball operations, earnestly offered up a group of players who weren't part of the future and a first-round pick to nab the crafty guard from the Indiana Pacers.

He was considered the final piece, the bench stabilizer that could produce in long spurts, support Jayson Tatum and Jaylen Brown offensively as a reliable third scorer. There was speculation he would take over at point guard for Marcus Smart as the Celtics struggled with late-game execution, especially during the NBA Finals.

That hasn't been the case. Brogdon has etched a unique role for the Celtics, a microwave type that can score, distribute and defend. He has also become one of the better 3-point shooters in the NBA, making 44 percent of his attempts.

On Wednesday, with the Celtics choosing to rest three starters, including Tatum, Brogdon and Derrick White spearheaded an impressive 97-93 win over a fully-healthy Toronto Raptors team that needed a victory to avoid the ninth seed.

Brogdon scored 29 points as the Celtics led for all but 14 seconds of the final three quarters, staving off rallies. Brogdon swished the clinching free throws to help Boston earn the No. 2 seed; it will wait nearly a week to learn of its playoff opponent, determined by the play-in tournament.

This victory was a testament to the Celtics' improved depth from last season. With Tatum, Al Horford, and Marcus Smart out with rest/injuries, Celtics coach

ON BASKETBALL, Page C2

NCAA MEN'S FROZEN FOUR SEMIFINAL **BU VS. MINNESOTA, THURSDAY, 5 P.M. (ESPN2)**

Terriers will go for it against Gophers

By Andrew Mahoney
GLOBE STAFF

TAMPA — The atmosphere was subdued when the Boston University men's hockey team gathered at Agganis Arena on March 19 to watch the NCAA Tournament selection show.

There would be no hollering or high-fives when the team's name was finally called as the No. 1 seed in the Manchester Regional, save for when ESPN showed the highlight of freshman Lane Hutson's celebration after his winning goal against Merrimack in the Hockey East championship game the night before.

The conference Rookie of the Year punctuated the moment with a dab, the move made famous by Cam Newton whenever he recorded a first down or touchdown. Hutson's teammates erupted in laughter, but that would be the extent of the display of emotion.

Maybe it was because the Terriers knew they were already in the tournament, or that they had an inkling of who the opposition would be. But it also pointed to their approach all season, particularly that of the 10 seniors who decided to come back for one more year, their only previous trip to the tournament a one-and-done in 2021.

"I think for our group, we're never really satisfied, so we always want more," said BU captain Domenick Fensore ahead of Thursday's 5 p.m. Frozen Four matchup with top-ranked Minnesota. "We always want to get better. I think it starts in practice, we always compete with each other and kind of push each other to become better.

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INSIDE

Hall getting closer
Loses noncontact sweater not six weeks after injury. **C3**

Ray of sunshine
Tampa Bay wins again, runs opening hot streak to 6-0. **C4**

It's about the golf
Masters bosses like that green jacket is this week's focus. **C6**

YOUTH MOVEMENT — Jordan Spieth let son Sammy help out during the Par 3 contest Wednesday, but things get serious at the Masters Thursday. **C6**

Pro basketball

CELTICS NOTEBOOK

Stars alternating rest as season winds down

By Adam Himmelsbach
GLOBE STAFF

Celtics coach **Joe Mazzulla** has insisted in recent weeks that his preference down the stretch of the regular season is to win as many games as possible with his best players maintaining key roles. But with Boston locked into the No. 2 seed in the Eastern Conference after beating the Raptors, 97-93, on Wednesday, the team in recent days has taken a more rational approach.

All-Star forward **Jaylen Brown** joined **Robert Williams** and **Payton Pritchard** on the sidelines during Tuesday's loss to the 76ers. And against the Raptors, the Celtics were without **Jayson Tatum** (hip), **Marcus Smart** (neck), **Al Horford** (back), and Pritchard.

"I think you kind of have to listen to your players," Mazzulla said when he was asked about balancing rest and rhythm. "They know their bodies, they know their minds. They know at the same time there's certain things that we need to simulate as we continue to get ready. So, however, we can do that between now and next game and when the playoffs start, we just try to do it. But there's not really one way to do that."

The Celtics entered Wednesday three games behind the first-place Bucks with three remaining. Milwaukee beat Chicago to clinch No. 1.

While Tatum and Horford were essentially sitting out to rest, Smart said after Tuesday's loss to Philadelphia he was dealing with a pinched nerve in his neck that made it difficult to turn his head to the left.

"It's just stinging," Smart said. "My lower left arm is going numb here and there, so just trying to play through it and be out there for my team. But it definitely hurts, so we'll figure out what's going on."

Looking ahead

The Raptors, meanwhile, entered Wednesday 40-39 and tied with the Hawks for eighth in the East, two games behind the seventh-place Heat. If Toronto secures the No. 8 slot, it would likely face the No. 7 Heat in next week's play-in tournament, with the winner set to face the Celtics in the opening round.

In some cases, there could be a temptation to dilute offensive schemes a bit against a potential playoff opponent. But Toronto is trying to simply make the field.

"I don't think we have much luxury to say, 'You know, let's just play them straight-up tonight, because we might see them in the playoffs,'" Raptors coach **Nick Nurse** said. "Listen, it gets discussed in the morning meeting, but we feel like we're going to throw our best game plan out there, period."

These teams will meet again at TD Garden on Friday night.

Post-mortem

Mazzulla said that after reviewing film of the 103-101 loss to Philadelphia, in which Sixers star **Joel Embiid** erupted for 52 points, he did not have issues with Boston's approach.

"I thought we did the right game plan," Mazzulla said. "I thought we did a lot, guarded the right way. Obviously, if you're in a playoff series and you watch the game, you can do two or three things differently if you play them over and over again, and we'll learn from that, and we were able to get some good information from the game."

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Celtics scrape by to secure No. 2 seed

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ics ensured that the third-place 76ers could no longer catch them. And the Bucks' victory over the Bulls made it impossible for Boston to pass Milwaukee.

That would have remained a long shot even with a Bucks loss Wednesday, but it may have tempted the Celtics to pursue a win Friday, and perhaps even Sunday, more aggressively.

Now, with two games left, their spot is set. They will most likely give their stars some extended runs together in one of these last two games to maintain some rhythm before shifting the focus to entering the postseason fully healthy and hungry.

"The seed doesn't matter as much as the mindset that we've had the entire season," coach Joe Mazzulla said.

That mindset was apparent over the last two games. With their slot almost set, the Celtics did start balancing rest and rhythm. Brown and Robert Williams sat out against the 76ers on Tuesday, and on Wednesday, Boston was without Jayson Tatum, Al Horford, and Marcus Smart.

In both cases, Boston was facing a team at full strength. And the Raptors, who slid to ninth place in the East with Wednesday's loss, figured to play with true desperation.

But the Celtics' depth has carried them all year. While some other teams crumble when top players are sidelined, Mazzulla has just scanned his roster, called different numbers, and watched the backups work.

Malcolm Brogdon, making a final push for Sixth Man of the Year, had 29 points to lead the Celtics on Wednesday. Brown, making a final push for an All-NBA nod that could potentially add millions of dollars to his next contract, had 25 points and 11 assists.

But contributions came from all corners. Mike Muscala, the trade-deadline acquisition who had been used sparingly (and not played very well when given chances) started in place of Horford and tallied 6 of his 12 points and 5 of his 6 rebounds in the fourth quarter, as Boston fended off a late Toronto rally.

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Sam Hauser got a rare start Wednesday, and got on the floor with Toronto's Fred VanVleet (rear) to battle for a loose ball.

Celtics 97, Raptors 93

At TD Garden

TORONTO

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt	PPG
Anunoby	40	5-16	0-0	2-4	2	2	12	16.9
Siakam	35	10-17	8-8	2-11	4	3	28	24.3
Poeltl	23	5-8	0-2	3-7	2	2	10	12.7
VanVleet	37	2-14	2-2	1-4	5	3	7	19.5
Barnes	39	7-13	2-4	1-8	5	3	18	15.5
Achiuwa	20	7-11	1-1	4-9	0	2	16	9.0
Koloko	6	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0	3.1
Trent	16	0-5	0-0	0-2	0	1	0	17.4
Boucher	11	1-4	0-0	0-3	0	1	2	9.4
Barton	14	0-2	0-0	0-1	2	2	0	6.7
Totals		37-90	13-17	13-50	20	19	93	

FG%: .411, FT%: .765. 3-pt. goals: 6-33, .182 (Anunoby 2-8, Siakam 0-1, VanVleet 1-12, Barnes 2-5, Achiuwa 1-2, Trent 0-2, Boucher 0-2, Barton 0-1). Team rebounds: 4. Team turnovers: 12 (8 pts.). Blocks: 7 (Anunoby 3, VanVleet, Barnes, Achiuwa, Barton). Turnovers: 11 (Siakam, Poeltl 2, VanVleet, Barnes 4, Achiuwa, Koloko, Trent). Steals: 10 (Anunoby 4, Siakam 2, Poeltl, VanVleet, Barnes 2).

BOSTON

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt	PPG
Hauser	28	1-8	0-0	1-6	4	2	3	5.9
Muscala	32	4-6	1-2	0-6	2	3	12	5.6
RWillims	31	3-4	1-2	3-8	2	2	7	8.0
White	40	6-15	3-4	0-4	2	4	17	12.5
Brown	39	12-29	0-2	1-11	5	0	25	26.6
Brogdon	35	10-19	5-6	2-5	3	2	29	14.9
Griffin	13	1-1	0-0	2-5	2	0	2	4.2
GWillims	19	1-5	0-2	1-1	0	1	2	8.3
Kornet	4	0-2	0-0	1-2	0	0	0	3.7
Totals		38-89	10-18	11-48	20	14	97	

FG%: .427, FT%: .556. 3-pt. goals: 11-38, .289 (Hauser 1-8, Muscala 3-5, White 2-7, Brown 1-9, Brogdon 4-6, G.Williams 0-3). Team rebounds: 14. Team turnovers: 15 (21 pts.). Blocks: 7 (Hauser, Muscala, R.Williams, White, Griffin, G.Williams 2). Turnovers: 15 (Muscala, R.Williams 2, White 3, Brown 4, Brogdon 3, Griffin, G.Williams). Steals: 5 (Hauser 2, R.Williams, White 2).

Toronto	28	16	28	21	—	93
Boston	31	25	23	18	—	97

A — 19,156 (18,624). T — 2:09. Officials — Sean Wright, Michael Smith, Andy Nagy.

on a Precious Achiuwa 3-pointer with 6:22 left in the fourth. Brogdon answered with a 3-pointer and an assist to Muscala for a layup.

With Boston leading, 93-88, Fred VanVleet missed a 3-pointer and Brown raced the other way for a layup with a minute left.

Achiuwa converted a tip-in with 40.2 seconds left before getting a 3-point play on a dunk with 12.6 seconds to play, making it 95-93. But Brogdon put away the win with two free throws.

These teams will meet again at TD Garden Friday in a game that is much more meaningful for the Raptors. Boston concludes the regular season at home Sunday against the Hawks before awaiting the winner of the 7/8 play-in game, which will most likely feature the Heat and Hawks.

There will be plenty of time to prepare for that matchup, but really, these Celtics have been preparing for months.

"As much as it's about the other team, it's about, how do we continue to be a well-balanced team on both ends while taking advantage of our game plan and our execution?" Mazzulla said.

"I think [depth] is our biggest strength," Muscala said. "It's a really deep team. To be shorthanded or to be able to have guys that can rest on back-to-backs, since I've been here, has been good for the team."

Pascal Siakam had 28 points to pace Toronto, which hit just 6 of 33 3-pointers.

The Raptors trailed by as many as 13 points in the third quarter but tied the score at 82

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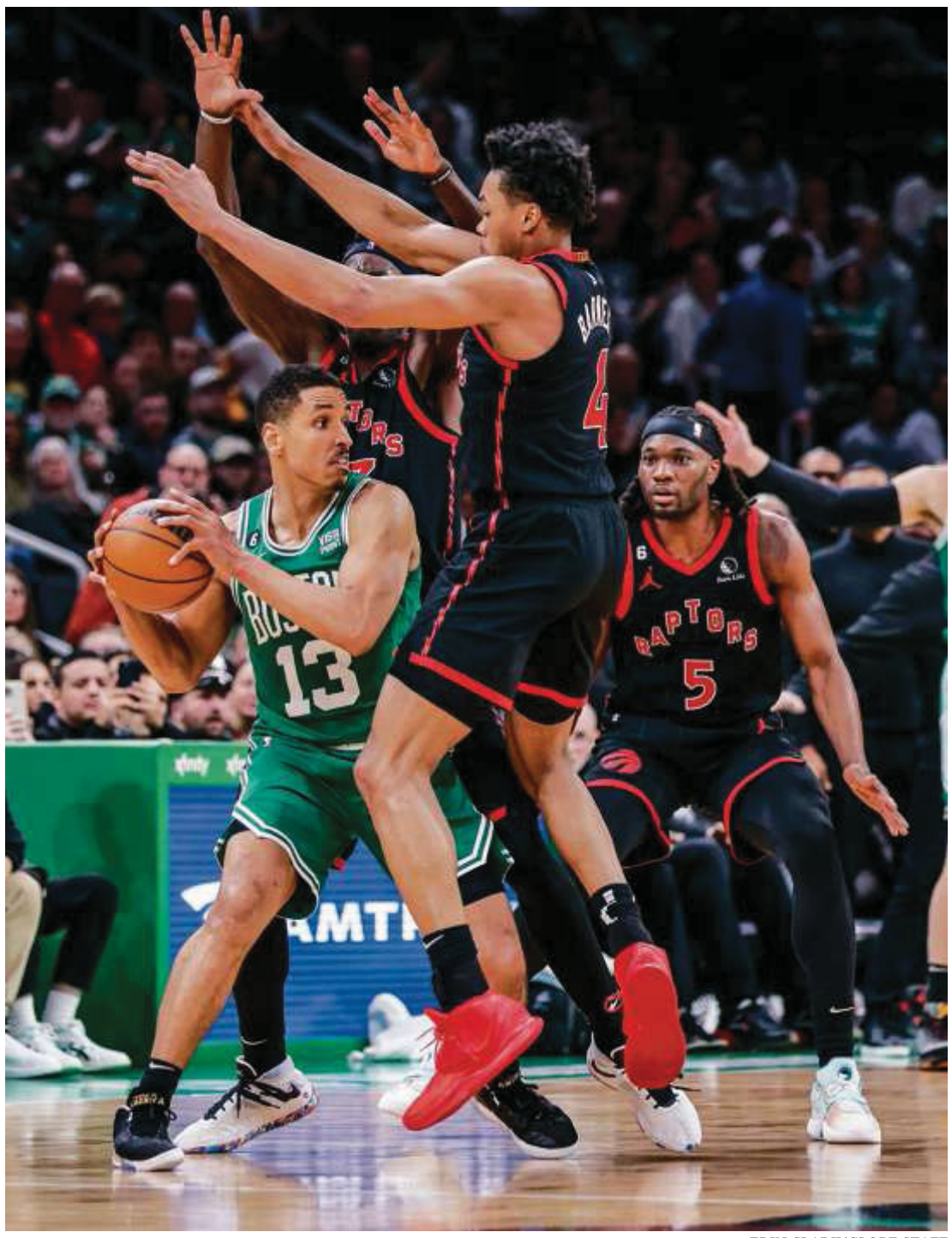

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When things get hairy, Malcolm Brogdon has been a stabilizing force off the Celtics bench.

Brogdon a perfect fit off the Celtics bench

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Joe Mazzulla started Mike Muscala and Sam Hauser to join White, Brown and Robert Williams.

That quartet held its own against Toronto's first team. And then Brogdon came off the bench for the 67th time this season and sparked the offense as the Celtics built a double-digit lead. He attacked the rim. He swished 3-pointers. He bailed the Celtics out of late shot-clock situations with creative drives and floaters.

The Celtics couldn't have asked for more from Brogdon this season. He's blended into the team concept, accepted his role and flourished with the freedom and trust given. Mazzulla has essentially told him, "Go score the ball." And he's obliged.

Brogdon is the leading candidate for Sixth Man of the Year — an award won twice by Kevin McHale and then Bill Walton in 1986, but not since by a Celtic.

"The humility he brings to our group, he takes pride in the second unit," Mazzulla said. "In order to be a great team you have to have people like that. We have that from top to bottom. Malcolm has come in here with patience, humility and understanding, credit to the locker room for embracing and empowering him. I hope he gets [the award]. He deserves it. When he plays at a high level, we're really good."

Brogdon's presence would make the Celtics unquestionably better, but it was uncertain exactly how. Stevens told Brogdon he would come off the bench from the beginning, eliminating any controversy about potentially starting over Smart.

He's played a career-low 26 minutes per game, but he's produced mightily in those limited stretches, averaging 14.9 points (third on the team) along with 44 percent shooting from the 3-point line. Brogdon's 3-point percentage in his three seasons in Indiana was 35.2, so his surge has been an unexpected development.

"Coming off the bench, it is a challenge sometimes, to be honest," he said. "Having a career where you start your whole career and then you come off the bench, and that's where you have to suck it up. You're not going to score as much. You're not going to play as much, but that's what I think makes a great team, having guys that are able to do that, having guys that are able to sacrifice.

"For me it's been a mindset the past couple of weeks, trying to take advantage of every minute I get."

Getting Brogdon to buy in wasn't as difficult as perhaps anticipated because the reward was so high. The Celtics are competing for an NBA championship and even the most cohesive championship clubs in league history possessed a group of players who sacrificed their role for the sake of the team, who grew tired of dropping buckets in losses and missing the playoffs and knew adjusting into a lesser role could result in team success.

Brogdon could start for any team in the NBA and so would White. But the Celtics have the luxury of bringing those standouts off the bench. White has gotten his share of starts to fill in for resting or injured teammates. Brogdon has remained a reserve regardless of the situation.

"I knew it would be a very fluid situation and for me it's about understanding it, embracing it and continuing to embrace it for 82 games and the playoffs," Brogdon said. "I feel like that's what I've done. As far as us being successful, this is exactly what I thought. I thought I would come to a championship team. That's what we have here.

"I want to win. The last two seasons for me were rough, not being able to win. I'm a winner. I feel like I'm known as a winner. I want to be known as a winner when I'm done playing in this league. Being in Boston, being a Celtic fits me perfectly."

And it's been a perfect fit for the Celtics as well.

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Jaylen Brown got plenty of attention with Al Horford, Marcus Smart, and Jayson Tatum out.

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Streak	Home	Conf.
c-Milwaukee	58	22	.725	—	W 3	32-8	35-16
p-Boston	55	25	.688	3	W 1	30-9	32-18
p-Philadelphia	52	27	.658	5½	W 1	29-11	32-17
p-Cleveland	50	30	.625	8	W 2	31-9	33-17
p-New York	47	33	.588	11	W 5	23-17	32-19
Brooklyn	44	36	.550	14	W 1	22-17	29-21
Miami	42	37	.532	15½	W 2	26-14	22-27
Atlanta	41	39	.513	17	W 3	24-16	26-24
Toronto	40	40	.500	18	L 1	26-14	25-25
Chicago	38	42	.475	20	L 2	21-19	26-25
Orlando	34	45	.430	23½	L 1	20-20	20-29
Indiana	34	46	.425	24	L 2	20-20	23-27
Washington	34	46	.425	24	L 4	18-21	20-31
Charlotte	26	54	.325	32	L 3	13-27	14-37
Detroit	16	64	.200	42	L 11	9-32	7-43

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct.	GB	Streak	Home	Conf.
d-Denver	52	27	.658	—	L 1	33-7	33-16
d-Memphis	50	30	.625	2½	L 1	35-6	30-21
d-Sacramento	48	32	.600	4½	L 1	23-17	32-18
p-Phoenix	44	35	.557	8	W 6	27-12	29-20
Golden State	42	38	.525	10½	W 1	33-8	28-22
*LA Clippers	41	38	.519	11	L 2	21-18	24-25
*LA Lakers	41	38	.519	11	W 4	21-18	25-24
New Orleans	41	39	.513	11½	W 1	26-14	29-22
Minnesota	40	40	.500	12½	W 1	21-19	27-23
Okla. City	38	42	.475	14½	L 3	23-17	23-27
Dallas	38	42	.475	14½	W 1	23-16	28-23
Utah	36	43	.456	16	L 3	22-17	23-26
Portland	33	46	.418	19	L 1	17-23	23-26
San Antonio	20	59	.253	32	L 1	13-26	8-41
Houston	20	60	.250	32½	W 1	14-27	12-40

* — Not including late game
c — Clinched conference
d — Clinched division
p — Clinched playoff berth

THE PLAYOFF FORMAT

The top six teams in each conference qualify; the next four teams will participate in a play-in tournament at the end of the regular season.

WEDNESDAY'S RESULTS

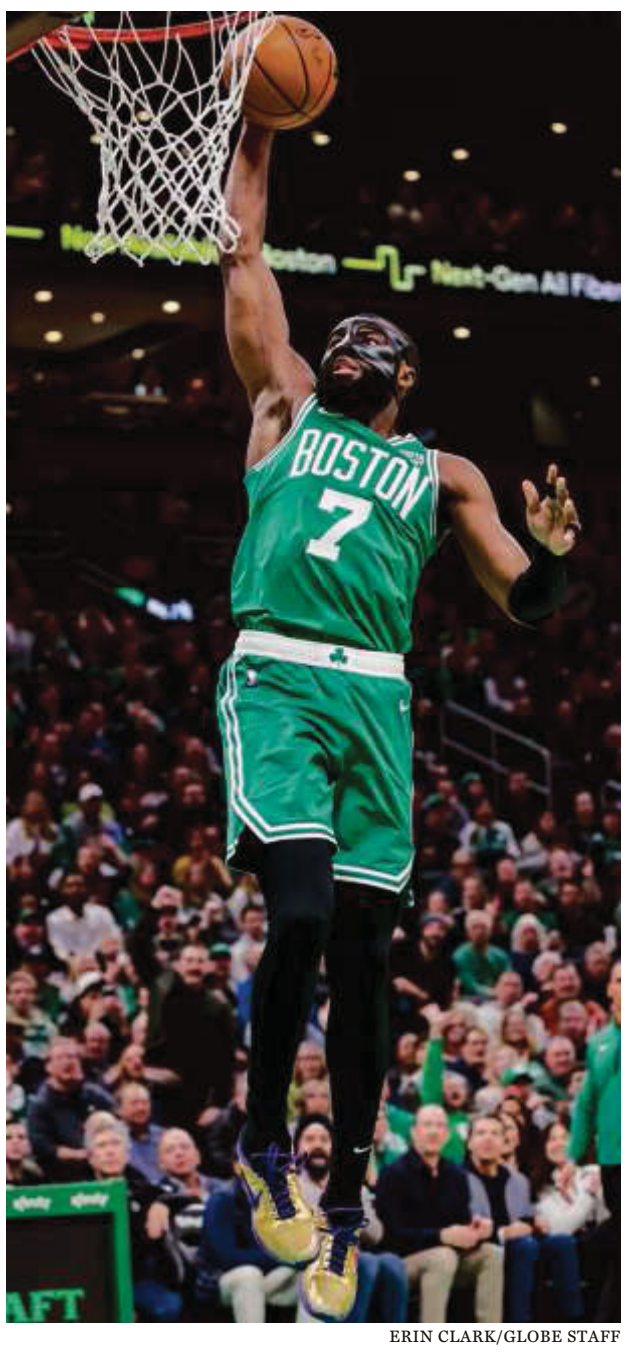
At BOSTON 97	Toronto 93	At Milwaukee 105	Chicago 92
Brooklyn 123	at Detroit 108	At New Orleans 138	Memphis 131 (OT)
New York 138	at Indiana 129	At Dallas 123	Sacramento 119
At Atlanta 134	Washington 116	LA Lakers	at LA Clippers

THURSDAY'S GAMES

Cleveland at Orlando	7	Okla. City at Utah	9
Miami at Philadelphia	7:30	Denver at Phoenix	10
Portland at San Antonio	8		

TUESDAY'S RESULTS

At Philadelphia 103	BOSTON 101	At Houston 124	Denver 103
Miami 118	at Detroit 105	Atlanta 123	at Chicago 105
Cleveland 117	at Orlando 113	Sacramento 121	at New Orleans 103
Milwaukee 140	at Washington 128	LA Lakers 135	at Utah 133 (OT)
Toronto 120	at Charlotte 100	At Golden St. 136	Okla. City 125
Minnesota 107	at Brooklyn 102	At Phoenix 115	San Antonio 94
At Memphis 119	Portland 109		



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Jaylen Brown flew high and played a team-high 39 minutes for the Celtics on Wednesday, firing up 29 shots and scoring 25 points as Boston won the first of two meetings with Toronto in three days.

NETS 123, PISTONS 108

BROOKLYN

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Johnson	29	6-8	0-0	1-5	2	0	15
O'Neale	37	5-10	1-2	1-7	8	3	15
Claxton	36	8-9	3-3	2-7	2	5	19
Dinwidie	33	1-10	4-4	0-3	16	1	6
Bridges	38	10-26	4-5	1-3	6	0	26
Curry	8	0-1	0-0	0-2	1	0	0
Harris	20	6-9	0-1	0-2	0	1	18
Sumner	18	3-4	2-2	0-1	0	0	8
Sharpe	12	4-6	2-6	5-7	0	0	10
Watnabe	7	2-3	0-0	1-1	0	2	6
Duke	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0
Smith	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals		45-86	16-23	11-38	36	12	123

FG%: .523, FT%: .696. 3-pt. goals: 17-43, .395 (Johnson 3-5, O'Neale 4-9, Dinwiddie 0-4, Bridges 2-11, Curry 0-1, Harris 6-9, Sumner 0-1, Watanabe 2-3). Team rebounds: 11. Team turnovers: 13 (17 pts.). Blocks: 7 (O'Neale 2, Claxton 3, Dinwiddie, Bridges). Turnovers: 11 (Johnson 4, O'Neale, Claxton, Dinwiddie 2, Bridges, Sumner 2). Steals: 6 (Johnson, Claxton 2, Dinwiddie, Sharpe 2).

DETROIT

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Omoruyi	14	2-6	0-0	1-2	1	1	6
Duren	35	9-11	0-0	3-8	2	3	18
Wiseman	29	5-10	6-7	0-3	2	1	16
Hayes	35	2-8	0-0	0-4	6	3	4
Ivey	43	9-22	3-3	2-5	10	2	23
Hampton	34	9-15	4-4	1-5	2	4	27
Joseph	30	4-7	0-0	1-3	4	0	12
Rhoden	20	1-5	0-0	1-4	0	4	2
Totals		41-84	13-14	9-34	27	18	108

FG%: .488, FT%: .929. 3-pt. goals: 13-28, .464 (Omoruyi 2-4, Wiseman 0-1, Hayes 0-2, Ivey 2-6, Hampton 5-8, Joseph 4-5, Rhoden 0-2). Team rebounds: 9. Team turnovers: 14 (15 pts.). Blocks: 3 (Wiseman, Hayes, Hampton). Turnovers: 14 (Omoruyi 3, Duren 2, Hayes 3, Ivey 5, Hampton). Steals: 5 (Omoruyi, Duren, Hayes 2, Joseph). Technicals: Ivey, 3:09/3rd.

Brooklyn	47	27	22	27	— 123
Detroit	34	23	33	18	— 108

A — 18,313 (21,000). T — 2:06. Officials — Gediminas Petraitis, Ashley Moyer-Gleich, Jenna Schroeder.

KNICKS 138, PACERS 129

NEW YORK

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Hart	37	2-5	1-2	5-12	7	2	6
Toppin	43	11-18	5-5	0-3	6	3	32
Robinson	30	6-13	2-7	7-16	1	5	14
Grimes	43	14-23	3-4	2-6	5	2	36
Quickley	40	14-26	4-5	2-6	9	2	39
J.Sims	5	0-0	0-0	2-2	0	1	0
McBride	13	1-6	1-2	0-0	3	3	3
Hrtnstein	18	4-6	0-0	2-7	2	2	8
Fournier	11	0-3	0-0	0-0	1	1	0
Totals		52-100	16-25	20-52	34	21	138

FG%: .520, FT%: .640. 3-pt. goals: 18-46, .391 (Hart 1-2, Toppin 5-12, Grimes 5-13, Quickley 7-13, McBride 0-3, Fournier 0-3). Team rebounds: 10. Team turnovers: 18 (20 pts.). Blocks: 8 (Hart, Robinson 7). Turnovers: 14 (Hart 3, Toppin 4, Robinson 2, Grimes, Quickley 2, McBride, Hartenstein). Steals: 13 (Hart 4, Toppin, Robinson 2, Grimes 3, Quickley 2, Fournier). Technicals: Hart, 6:37/3rd.

INDIANA

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Nwora	26	3-9	3-4	0-1	1	1	11
Nesmith	26	2-5	6-6	1-4	0	0	12
Smith	26	8-11	1-1	3-3	0	4	19
Nmbhard	32	5-13	1-2	1-3	9	3	12
Mathurin	32	6-17	4-6	3-8	4	3	17
Jackson	22	3-3	4-6	1-8	0	4	10
McConell	22	7-11	3-3	1-5	12	1	18
Brissett	18	3-4	2-2	0-2	0	0	8
York	14	3-7	0-0	0-1	1	0	9
Hield	22	5-7	0-0	0-2	6	1	13
Totals		45-87	24-30	10-37	33	17	129

FG%: .517, FT%: .800. 3-pt. goals: 15-30, .500 (Nwora 2-6, Nesmith 2-4, Smith 2-2, Nembhard 1-2, Mathurin 1-3, McConnell 1-1, Brissett 0-1, York 3-6, Hield 3-5). Team rebounds: 6. Team turnovers: 17 (27 pts.). Blocks: 5 (Smith 3, Jackson, Hield). Turnovers: 17 (Nwora 2, Nesmith, Smith 2, Nembhard 4, Mathurin 6, McConnell 2). Steals: 6 (Nesmith, Smith 2, Nembhard, McConnell 2). Flagrant fouls: Jackson, 1:06/3rd.

New York	38	32	35	33	— 138
Indiana	29	38	31	31	— 129

A — 16,789 (18,165). T — 2:15. Officials — Tony Brothers, Kevin Cutler, Matt Boland.

MAVERICKS 123, KINGS 119

SACRAMENTO

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Murray	30	4-8	1-1	0-9	2	3	11
Barnes	30	7-14	2-2	4-5	0	2	16
Sabonis	35	8-11	2-6	3-11	11	4	19
Huerter	32	6-15	0-0	2-6	3	2	14
Fox	32	10-26	7-7	2-5	8	2	28
Edwards	10	0-2	0-0	2-2	1	0	0
Mitchell	16	3-6	0-0	0-0	1	3	8
Lyles	19	3-7	0-0	2-5	1	0	8
Monk	24	5-15	1-1	0-5	4	2	13
Len	13	0-2	2-2	7-9	0	1	2
Totals		46-106	15-19	22-57	31	19	119

FG%: .434, FT%: .789. 3-pt. goals: 12-37, .324 (Murray 2-5, Barnes 0-2, Sabonis 1-1, Huerter 2-7, Fox 1-6, Edwards 0-1, Mitchell 2-5, Lyles 2-4, Monk 2-6). Team rebounds: 9. Team turnovers: 9 (12 pts.). Blocks: 1 (Fox). Turnovers: 9 (Sabonis 3, Huerter, Fox, Mitchell, Monk 2, Len). Steals: 7 (Sabonis, Huerter 3, Fox, Edwards, Monk). Technicals: Huerter, 5:13/4th.

DALLAS

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Bullock	17	1-3	0-0	0-2	1	1	3
Hardawy	36	8-14	3-3	0-4	4	3	24
Powell	12	1-1	0-0	3-4	1	4	2
Doncic	39	9-19	8-10	1-10	6	3	29
Irving	43	12-23	1-1	0-4	8	3	31
Green	31	4-5	0-0	1-9	1	2	10
Kleber	15	1-3	1-1	0-2	3	1	3
Wood	25	5-15	1-1	2-4	0	1	14
Hardy	14	2-4	0-0	0-0	0	0	4
McGee	9	1-2	1-2	0-0	0	0	3
Totals		44-89	15-18	7-39	24	18	123

FG%: .494, FT%: .833. 3-pt. goals: 20-44, .455 (Bullock 1-2, Hardaway 5-8, Doncic 3-11, Irving 6-10, Green 2-3, Kleber 0-2, Wood 3-7, Hardy 0-1). Team rebounds: 7. Team turnovers: 10 (9 pts.). Blocks: 7 (Green, Wood 3, Hardy, McGee 2). Turnovers: 10 (Doncic, Irving 3, Green 3, Kleber, Wood, McGee). Steals: 4 (Doncic, Irving 2, Wood).

Sacramento	27	44	21	27	— 119
Dallas	28	32	32	31	— 123

A — 20,271 (19,200). T — 2:09. Officials — Bill Kennedy, Justin Van Duyne, Brandon Adair.

BUCKS 105, BULLS 92

CHICAGO

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Williams	29	2-8	0-0	3-6	1	0	6
DeRozan	36	3-12	2-2	0-3	6	4	8
Vucevic	34	9-21	2-2	2-11	4	2	21
Beverley	28	3-5	0-0	0-5	7	1	8
LaVine	37	5-17	2-3	0-5	7	1	13
Jones	19	3-5	0-0	0-0	0	2	8
White	25	6-10	0-0	0-6	1	0	14
Drumond	13	1-1	1-2	0-2	0	1	3
Dosnmu	17	3-3	2-2	0-0	2	0	8
Jones	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Simnvic	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Terry	1	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	3
Totals		36-83	9-11	5-38	28	11	92

FG%: .434, FT%: .818. 3-pt. goals: 11-33, .333 (Williams 2-5, DeRozan 0-1, Vucevic 1-6, Beverley 2-4, LaVine 1-8, Jones 2-4, White 2-4, Terry 1-1). Team rebounds: 8. Team turnovers: 15 (16 pts.). Blocks: 3 (Beverley, LaVine, Jones Jr.). Turnovers: 15 (Williams 2, DeRozan 3, Vucevic 3, Beverley, Jones, White 4, Dosunmu). Steals: 10 (DeRozan 2, Beverley 4, Jones 2, Dosunmu 2).

MILWAUKEE

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Middlton	8	0-3	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Portis	37	9-18	3-3	2-13	1	1	27
Lopez	37	10-19	6-8	3-7	1	2	26
Carter	32	6-11	0-0	1-4	2	3	16
Holiday	36	8-17	0-0	1-8	15	0	20
Crowder	17	0-5	0-0	1-5	2	1	0
Ingles	24	3-7	0-0	0-1	3	1	9
Matthws	30	3-7	0-0	2-8	2	3	7
Leonard	7	0-2	0-0	2-2	0	2	0
Green	10	0-3	0-0	1-4	0	0	0
TAntkpo	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Bechamp	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals		39-92	9-11	13-53	26	13	105

FG%: .424, FT%: .818. 3-pt. goals: 18-46, .391 (Middleton 0-1, Portis 6-9, Lopez 0-2, Carter 4-8, Holiday 4-8, Crowder 0-3, Ingles 3-7, Matthews 1-4, Leonard 0-1, Green 0-3). Team rebounds: 5. Team turnovers: 13 (18 pts.). Blocks: 3 (Lopez, Crowder, Matthews). Turnovers: 12 (Middleton, Lopez, Carter, Holiday 7, Ingles 2). Steals: 7 (Portis, Holiday 2, Crowder, Ingles 2, Matthews). Technicals: Ingles, 4:11/3rd.

Chicago	21	30	25	16	— 92
Milwaukee	28	21	30	26	— 105

A — 17,679 (17,500). T — 2:06. Officials — David Guthrie, Tre Maddox, Brett Nansel.

HAWKS 134, WIZARDS 116

WASHINGTON

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Gill	20	2-4	0-2	3-5	0	3	4
Kispert	28	5-12	0-2	0-2	1	3	12
Gafford	23	8-10	9-9	4-10	1	3	25
Goodwin	29	4-10	2-2	0-2	6	2	10
Davis	36	8-18	3-5	0-7	3	4	20
Nunn	26	7-17	0-0	0-1	4	2	15
Cooks	17	2-5	2-2	2-6	3	3	6
Huff	30	5-6	2-2	2-4	3	4	14
Jackson	28	4-11	2-2	1-2	2	2	10
Todd	3	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals		45-94	20-26	12-39	23	26	116

FG%: .479, FT%: .769. 3-pt. goals: 6-28, .214 (Gill 0-1, Kispert 2-8, Goodwin 0-3, Davis 1-4, Nunn 1-6, Huff 2-3, Jackson 0-3). Team rebounds: 6. Team turnovers: 14 (19 pts.). Blocks: 9 (Gafford 2, Goodwin, Davis 2, Cooks, Huff 3). Turnovers: 14 (Kispert, Gafford 3, Goodwin, Davis 4, Nunn, Cooks, Huff, Jackson, Todd). Steals: 10 (Kispert, Gafford, Goodwin 4, Davis 2, Cooks, Huff). Flagrant fouls: Cooks, 8:40/2nd.

ATLANTA

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Bey	25	4-9	0-0	2-4	1	3	10
Collins	26	6-8	8-8	0-3	0	4	23
Capela	15	3-5	3-4	4-8	0	4	9
Murray	30	8-13	2-2	0-7	2	0	19
Young	39	4-10	16-18	0-2	16	2	25
Holiday	21	2-3	2-2	1-1	4	2	8
Griffin	23	6-9	0-0	1-3	1	0	16
Okngwu	24	2-8	2-2	2-6	3	5	6
Johnson	23	7-11	2-4	0-8	2	1	16
Fernando	3	0-2	0-0	1-1	0	2	0
Forrest	3	0-2	0-0	0-1	1	0	0
Krejci	3	0-2	0-0	1-3	0	0	0
Mathews	2	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Martin	2	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	2
Totals		43-84	35-40	12-48	30	23	134

FG%: .512, FT%: .875. 3-pt. goals: 13-30, .433 (Bey 2-5, Collins 3-4, Murray 1-3, Young 1-4, Holiday 2-2, Griffin 4-6, Okongwu 0-1, Johnson 0-2, Fernando 0-1, Krejci 0-1, Mathews 0-1). Team rebounds: 8. Team turnovers: 17 (19 pts.). Blocks: 5 (Capela 3, Holiday, Okongwu). Turnovers: 16 (Bey 2, Capela, Murray 4, Young 4, Holiday, Okongwu, Johnson 2, Forrest). Steals: 10 (Bey, Capela, Murray 2, Holiday 3, Okongwu 2, Krejci).

Washington	32	28	30	26	— 116
Atlanta	33	34	39	28	— 134

A — 17,727 (18,729). T — 2:11. Officials — Curtis Blair, Brent Barnaky, Jason Goldenberg.

PELICANS 138, GRIZZLIES 131

MEMPHIS

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Brooks	38	9-15	2-4	2-6	2	6	25
Jackson	41	13-28	11-12	4-9	3	4	40
Aldama	7	1-4	0-0	0-1	1	1	2
Jones	43	5-9	2-2	0-8	12	1	13
Bane	43	9-21	4-5	2-4	5	6	24
Lofton	23	3-9	0-1	3-5	3	3	6
Konchar	22	5-7	0-1	4-9	4	1	10
Roddy	38	3-7	0-0	0-6	2	3	7
Chandler	10	1-2	0-0	0-1	1	0	2
Williams	1	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	2
Totals		50-104	19-25	15-49	33	25	131

FG%: .481, FT%: .760. 3-pt. goals: 12-36, .333 (Brooks 5-8, Jackson 3-9, Aldama 0-1, Jones 1-4, Bane 2-8, Lofton 0-1, Roddy 1-4, Williams 0-1). Team rebounds: 9. Team turnovers: 14 (21 pts.). Blocks: 6 (Jackson 4, Jones, Konchar). Turnovers: 13 (Brooks 4, Jackson 3, Jones 3, Bane, Lofton, Roddy). Steals: 10 (Brooks 2, Jackson, Jones 4, Bane, Lofton, Konchar). Technicals: def. 3-second, 2:01/2nd, Bane, 5:22/3rd.

NEW ORLEANS

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Ingram	46	7-18	9-12	0-6	13	3	24
Murphy	46	9-18	5-6	0-2	4	3	30
Valncnas	19	1-2	2-2	1-6	1	5	4
McColm	44	10-16	5-10	1-10	6	0	31
Jones	44	11-21	8-9	3-7	3	3	35
Marshall	8	1-4	0-0	0-1	0	1	2
Daniels	8	0-2	0-0	0-3	2	1	0
Nance	34	2-3	0-0	3-9	5	3	4
Richrdsn	15	3-4	0-0	0-0	1	3	8
Totals		44-88	29-39	8-44	35	22	138

FG%: .500, FT%: .744. 3-pt. goals: 21-39, .538 (Ingram 1-4, Murphy 7-13, McCollum 6-9, Jones 5-8, Daniels 0-2, Richardson 2-3). Team rebounds: 12. Team turnovers: 16 (15 pts.). Blocks: 8 (Ingram, Valanciunas 3, Jones 3, Marshall). Turnovers: 16 (Ingram 4, McCollum 4, Jones 2, Marshall, Daniels 2, Nance 2, Richardson). Steals: 9 (Ingram 2, Murphy 3, Valanciunas, McCollum, Daniels, Nance).

Memphis	34	35	21	34	7 — 131
New Orleans	32	20	33	39	14 — 138

A — 17,232 (16,867). T — 2:38. Officials — Scott Foster, Dedric Taylor, Brandon Schwab.

LEADERS

Not including Wednesday's games

SCORING

	FG	FT	Pts.	PPG
Embiid, PHI	719	659	2162	33.3
Doncic, DAL	706	502	2096	32.8
Lillard, POR	556	510	1866	32.2
Alexander, OKC	697	662	2113	31.5
Antetokonmpo, MIL	707	498	1959	31.1
Tatum, BOS	720	524	2204	30.2
Mitchell, CLE	679	319	1922	28.3
Irving, DAL	582	246	1592	27.0
Brown, BOS	667	263	1759	26.7
Morant, MEM	561	370	1584	26.4
Young, ATL	586	538	1862	26.2
Markkanen, UTA	571	349	1691	25.6

FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE

	FG	Att.	Pct.
Kessler, UTA	298	414	.720
Claxton, BKN	400	569	.703
Plumlee, LAC	319	472	.676
Gobert, MIN	355	540	.657
Capela, ATL	342	525	.651
Okongwu, ATL	306	474	.646
Allen, CLE	401	622	.645
Jokic, DEN	644	1017	.633
Poeltl, TOR	380	601	.632
Zubac, LAC	309	489	.632

BRUINS NOTEBOOK

Hall closing in on a return from injury

By Conor Ryan
BOSTON.COM STAFF

The initial reports weren't promising for **Taylor Hall**.

Hampered by a lower-body injury against the Canucks on Feb. 25, the veteran winger was placed on long-term injured reserve five days later.

General manager **Don Sweeney** noted at the time of Hall's injury designation that his status "took a real unfortunate turn," prompting the Bruins to trade for **Tyler Bertuzzi** for middle-six insurance. Surgery was not ruled out for Hall, a former Hart Trophy winner.

But as evidenced by **Brad Marchand's** accelerated return from hip surgery in October, the 2022-23 Bruins have a knack for shattering points records and recovery timelines alike.

Short of six weeks after his season was placed in jeopardy, Hall is poised to return ahead of the playoffs — and join an imposing third line alongside Bertuzzi and **Charlie Coyle**.

"It feels great to be out with the guys and to practice with them, to be in the meetings and everything else," Hall said Wednesday afternoon at Warrior Ice Arena. "When they're on the road, it's pretty lonely around here. It's fun to be back around the atmosphere."

Wednesday's session marked the first time that Hall shed the red, noncontact sweater he's skated in over the last week-plus.

Even though coach **Jim Montgomery** did not confirm or deny Hall's availability for Thursday's home matchup against the Maple Leafs, he did note that the 31-year-old has made significant strides.

"We're starting to get him into game rhythm again through practice . . . I think he's doubtful for tomorrow, to be honest," Montgomery said. "But I'm not going to completely rule him out."

Hall's return will further bolster a roster already ranked second in the league in scoring at 3.66 goals per game.

Big-bodied pivot Coyle has fared well with power forward **Trent Frederic**, Boston holding a 34-18 edge in goals during the duo's 611 minutes of five-on-five ice time.

For Montgomery, swapping Hall and Frederic yields a higher offensive ceiling for a third line looking to land punches against the soft spots on opposing rosters. But for that trio to reach its potential, Montgomery acknowledged that someone will need to take the initiative when it comes to peppering the net.

Of the 16 Bruins forwards with at least 50 minutes of five-on-five reps this season, Coyle ranks 10th in shots per 60 minutes at 6.75. Hall or Bertuzzi will need to augment his role from pass-first winger to steady triggerman.

Krejci exits practice

David Krejci, who missed Sunday's win in St. Louis with a lower-body ailment, left Wednesday's practice early. "I think he still had some discomfort," Montgomery said. "We're going to be very precautionary right now. He's questionable for tomorrow." . . . Montgomery believes there are "only three teams that are an option" for Boston's first-round playoff matchup. With the Panthers, Islanders, and Penguins separated by only a point in the standings, the Bruins likely won't know their opponent until late next week. Montgomery isn't fretting over the uncertainty.

Lohrei makes pro debut

Mason Lohrei had a solid professional debut, with a 0-0–0 stat line hiding some strong offensive plays, a big blocked shot and a goal-saving stick lift that helped Providence take first place in the AHL's Atlantic Division with a 3-1 win over Hershey.

Lohrei, 22, wears No. 2 and is 6-foot-4 and 210 pounds with a stick that might be 6 feet long. It makes him look even lankier. It also helps him defend. In a tight third period, with netminder **Kyle Keyser** down and out, Lohrei went backdoor and tied up Hershey's **Beck Malenstyn**, who had scored on his previous shift to cut Providence's lead to 2-1.

Offensively, Lohrei and former Ohio State teammate **Georgii Merkulov** had instant chemistry. Lohrei showed he can beat the first forechecker.

Matt Porter contributed to this report from Providence.

Maple Leafs thumbnails

- **When, where:** Thursday, 7 p.m., at TD Garden.
- **TV, radio:** NESN, WBZ-FM (98.5)
- **Goals:** Auston Matthews 38, William Nylander 37, John Tavares 33.
- **Assists:** Mitch Marner 67, Nylander 45, Tavares 43
- **Goaltending:** Ilya Samsonov (25-10-4, 2.41 GAA), Matt Murray (14-8-2, 3.01), Joseph Woll (4-1-0, 2.02).
- **Head to head:** This is the fourth and final meeting. The Bruins are 2-1 vs. Toronto this season.
- **Miscellany:** Toronto is 15-4-3 when scoring first in road games . . . The Maple Leafs entered Wednesday allowing the sixth-fewest shots (29.2) per game . . . Murray (head) and center Ryan O'Reilly (finger) are questionable for Thursday's game.

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC	GP	W	L	OL	Pts.	ROW	GF	GA
Boston	77	60	12	5	125	56	286	166
Toronto	77	46	21	10	102	45	262	213
Tampa Bay	78	45	27	6	96	42	270	237
METROPOLITAN	**GP**	**W**	**L**	**OL**	**Pts.**	**ROW**	**GF**	**GA**
Carolina	77	50	18	9	109	46	251	198
New Jersey	78	49	21	8	106	47	271	217
NY Rangers	78	46	21	11	103	42	267	210
WILD-CARD	**GP**	**W**	**L**	**OL**	**Pts.**	**ROW**	**GF**	**GA**
Florida	78	40	31	7	87	38	274	261
NY Islanders	78	39	30	9	87	38	227	214
Pittsburgh	78	38	30	10	86	37	249	254
Buffalo	76	37	32	7	81	36	271	278
Ottawa	78	37	34	7	81	35	246	254
Detroit	77	35	33	9	79	32	231	252
Washington	77	34	34	9	77	32	240	243
Philadelphia	77	29	35	13	71	27	209	257
Montreal	78	30	42	6	66	25	219	289
Columbus	77	24	45	8	56	23	205	307

WESTERN CONFERENCE

CENTRAL	GP	W	L	OL	Pts.	ROW	GF	GA
Colorado	76	46	24	6	98	40	256	210
Dallas	77	42	21	14	98	39	267	213
Minnesota	77	44	23	10	98	37	232	209
PACIFIC	**GP

Baseball

AL

EAST	W	L	Pct.	GB	Div.	Last 10	Streak
Tampa Bay	6	0	1.000	—	0-0	6-0	W 6
New York	4	2	.667	2	0-0	4-2	W 1
Baltimore	3	3	.500	3	1-2	3-3	L 1
Toronto	3	3	.500	3	0-0	3-3	W 2
Boston	2	4	.333	4	2-1	2-4	L 3
CENTRAL	**W**	**L**	**Pct.**	**GB**	**Div.**	**Last 10**	**Streak**
Cleveland	5	2	.714	—	0-0	5-2	W 1
Minnesota	4	2	.667	½	3-0	4-2	L 2
Chicago	3	3	.500	1½	0-0	3-3	W 1
Detroit	2	4	.333	2½	0-0	2-4	L 1
Kansas City	1	5	.167	3½	0-3	1-5	L 2
WEST	**W**	**L**	**Pct.**	**GB**	**Div.**	**Last 10**	**Streak**
Los Angeles	4	2	.667	—	4-2	4-2	W 1
Texas	4	2	.667	—	0-0	4-2	W 1
Houston	3	4	.429	1½	0-0	3-4	W 1
Oakland	2	4	.333	2	1-2	2-4	L 1
Seattle	2	5	.286	2½	1-2	2-5	L 1

NL

EAST	W	L	Pct.	GB	Div.	Last 10	Streak
Atlanta	5	1	.833	—	2-1	5-1	W 3
Miami	3	4	.429	2½	1-3	3-4	W 2
New York	3	4	.429	2½	3-1	3-4	L 3
Philadelphia	1	5	.167	4	0-0	1-5	L 1
Washington	1	5	.167	4	1-2	1-5	L 3
CENTRAL	**W**	**L**	**Pct.**	**GB**	**Div.**	**Last 10**	**Streak**
Milwaukee	5	1	.833	—	2-1	5-1	W 5
Pittsburgh	4	2	.667	1	1-2	4-2	W 3
Cincinnati	3	2	.600	1½	3-2	3-2	L 1
Chicago	2	3	.400	2½	2-3	2-3	W 1
St. Louis	2	4	.333	3	0-0	2-4	L 3
WEST	**W**	**L**	**Pct.**	**GB**	**Div.**	**Last 10**	**Streak**
Los Angeles	4	2	.667	—	4-2	4-2	W 2
Arizona	3	3	.500	1	3-3	3-3	W 1
San Diego	3	3	.500	1	3-3	3-3	L 1
San Francisco	2	3	.400	1½	0-0	2-3	L 1
Colorado	2	4	.333	2	2-4	2-4	L 4

RESULTS

WEDNESDAY

Pittsburgh 4	at Boston 1	At Texas 5	Baltimore 2
Chi. Cubs (ppd.)	at Cincinnati	At Houston 8	Detroit 2
At NY Yankees 4	Philadelphia 2	At Chi. White Sox 7	San Francisco 3
Tampa Bay 7	at Washington 2	Cleveland 6 (10 inn.)	at Oakland 4
At Miami 5	Minnesota 2	LA Angels 4	at Seattle 3
Atlanta 5	at St. Louis 2	Toronto 3	at Kansas City 0
At Milwaukee 7	NY Mets 6		

TUESDAY

Pittsburgh 4	at Boston 1	Toronto 4	at Kansas City 1
Arizona 8	at San Diego 6	Atlanta 4	at St. Louis 1
Chi. Cubs 12	at Cincinnati 5	Baltimore 7	at Texas 2
At Miami 1	Minnesota 0	Detroit 6	at Houston 3
Philadelphia 4	at NY Yankees 1	At Oakland 4	Cleveland 3
Tampa Bay 10	at Washington 6	At Seattle 11	LA Angels 2
At Milwaukee 9	NY Mets 0	At LA Dodgers 5	Colorado 2

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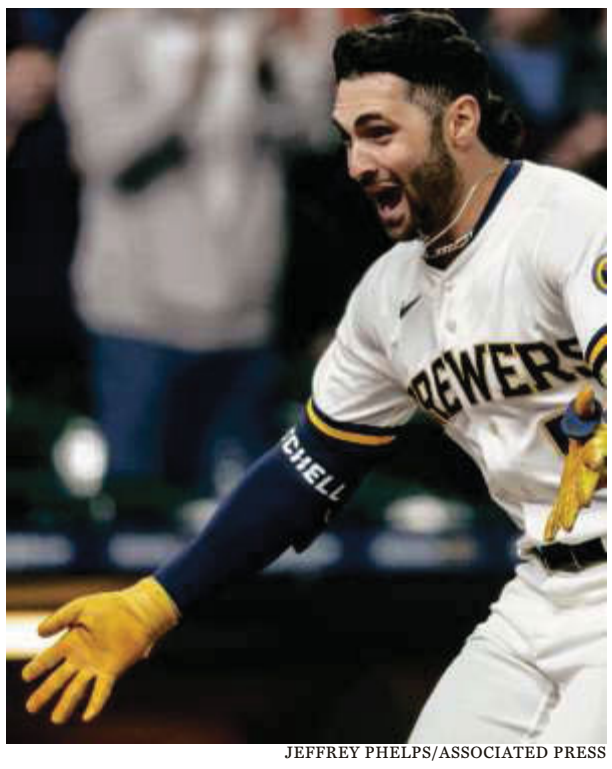
Randy Arozarena (above, right) was met with high fives after his solo homer in Tampa's 7-2 win over the Nationals, while Milwaukee's Garrett Mitchell (below) celebrates his walk-off homer off Mets' reliever Adam Ottovino in the Brewers' 7-6 victory.



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THURSDAY'S GAMES

	Odds	2023 W-L	2023 ERA	Team rec.	2022 vs. opp W-L	2022 vs. opp IP	2022 vs. opp ERA
BOSTON AT DETROIT, 1:10 p.m.							
Sale (L)	-150	0-0	21.00	1-0	0-0	0.0	0.00
Turnbull (R)	+130	0-1	27.00	0-1	0-0	0.0	0.00
SAN FRANCISCO AT CHICAGO WHITE SOX, 2:10 p.m.							
Wood (L)	+115	—	—	0-0	0-0	0.0	0.00
Lynn (R)	-135	0-0	3.18	0-1	0-0	6.0	0.00
TORONTO AT KANSAS CITY, 2:10 p.m.							
Gausman (R)	-195	0-1	0.00	0-1	0-1	6.0	3.00
Lyles (R)	+165	0-1	1.69	0-1	2-1	16.0	5.63
WASHINGTON AT COLORADO, 4:10 p.m.							
Gray (R)	+125	0-1	9.00	0-1	1-0	5.0	1.80
Freeland (L)	-145	1-0	0.00	1-0	0-1	5.2	7.94
SAN DIEGO AT ATLANTA, 7:20 p.m.							
Snell (L)	+140	0-1	6.23	0-1	0-0	0.0	0.00
Strider (R)	-165	1-0	0.00	1-0	0-0	4.2	3.86
LA DODGERS AT ARIZONA, 10:10 p.m.							
May (R)	-150	0-0	0.00	0-1	0-1	4.0	11.25
Kelly (R)	+130	0-0	0.00	1-0	0-5	24.0	8.25

Team rec. — Record in games started by pitcher this season.

NOTEBOOK

Rays defeat Nationals, extend hot start to 6-0

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Wander Franco and **Harold Ramirez** each had two hits including a home run, and the Tampa Bay Rays defeated the host Washington Nationals, 7-2, on Wednesday.

The Rays improved to 6-0 and extended the best start in franchise history. They are off to the best start of any team since Baltimore opened 7-0 in 2016.

"We've got some real serious magic on this team," reliever **Ryan Thompson** said after closing out the win. "I think a lot of us could start to feel it in spring training. It's hard to explain. I just feel like the vibe is just a little unique this year versus what I've felt in the past."

Taylor Walls and **Randy Arozarena** had two hits each for Tampa Bay, which has outscored opponents, 44-13.

Shane McClanahan (2-0) allowed two runs on five hits and four walks over six innings, allowing at least one baserunner in every inning but the sixth. He struck out six.

"There's something real nice about when you settle in and cruise a little bit, but it's not as sweet as the ones where you've really got to earn it," McClanahan said. "I had to battle and it was a fist fight and kudos to these guys in this locker room for having my back and fighting with me."

McClanahan was aided by Arozarena, whose leaping catch on **Joey Meneses** saved a run in the first. Then **Manuel Margot** made a diving catch in right with a man on to end the seventh.

Victor Robles had two hits for the Nationals, who have lost five of their first six games.

Ohtani makes historic violations

Shohei Ohtani, the Los Angeles Angels' two-way star, earned his first win of the season and drove in a run in a 4-3 victory over the host Seattle Mariners, plus made MLB history when he became the first player to receive clock violations as a pitcher and hitter.

Ohtani was hit with a pitch-clock violation in the top of the first inning while working against **Cal Raleigh**. Angels manager **Phil Nevin** said his righthander was not trying to violate the rule implemented this season by intentionally throwing a pitch before Raleigh was ready.

Ohtani was flagged again in the top of the sixth before his at-bat against Mariners reliever **Matt Brash**. Players have 30 seconds to resume play between batters.

"I had a chance to talk to the umpires after the game, and it cleared things up," Ohtani said. "So, I know what I need to do, and the adjustments I need to do. It should be fine."

Yankees' Cole outduels Phillies

Gerrit Cole outpitched **Aaron Nola** in a marquee matchup, **Gleyber Torres** had three hits and two RBIs, and the New York Yankees beat the Philadelphia Phillies, 4-2, in New York.

Torres also stole two bases and is hitting .421 with six RBIs and five steals. **Jose Trevino** added a two-run homer off reliever **Gregory Soto**, and New York took two of three for the second straight series. NL champion Philadelphia has skidded to a 1-5 start, its worst since 2007.

Coming off six scoreless innings against San Francisco in the opener, Cole (2-0) pitched shutout ball into the seventh and left after a pitch-clock violation put on a runner who scored the first run off him this season. The 32-year-old righthander allowed three hits in 6⅓ innings, struck out eight and walked three. He also picked off speedy **Trea Turner** at first base for the final out of the third.

Brewers extend win streak to five

Garrett Mitchell hit a tiebreaking homer off **Adam Ottavino** in the ninth inning and the Milwaukee Brewers defeated the visiting New York Mets, 7-6, for their fifth straight victory.

Mitchell sent a 3-2 cutter from Ottavino (0-1) over the right-field wall for his third homer in his past two games. The rookie outfielder went deep twice Tuesday in a 9-0 triumph.

Astros snap three-game skid

Chas McCormick, **Kyle Tucker** and **Jeremy Peña** all homered and combined for six RBIs to help the Houston Astros snap a three-game skid with an 8-2 win over the visiting Detroit Tigers. McCormick hit a two-run home run in the second off **Eduardo Rodriguez** (0-2) and doubled in the fourth. Tucker homered for a second straight game with his solo home run in the fourth to help the Astros avoid a three-game sweep. Tucker added an RBI double in a two-run seventh as Houston padded the lead. . . . **Matt Olson** homered and drove in three, and the Atlanta Braves completed a three-game sweep of the St. Louis Cardinals, 5-2. **Bryce Elder** pitched six strong innings, giving up two hits, striking out six and walked three. The Braves won for the fifth time in their first six games . . . Baltimore Orioles top pitching prospect **Grayson Rodriguez** struck out five in five innings and exited his big league debut in a tie game against two-time NL Cy Young Award winner **Jacob deGrom** and the Texas Rangers. Rodriguez settled down after needing 30 pitches to get through the first inning. He retired 13 of the last 15 batters he faced, and struck out All-Star shortstop **Corey Seager** twice. He took a no-decision in the 5-2 Baltimore loss. Rodriguez, 23, was the 11th overall pick by the Orioles in the 2018 draft out of Central Heights High in Nacogdoches, Texas.

YANKEES 4, PHILLIES 2

PHILADELPHIA	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Turner ss	4	0	1	0	0	2	.370
Schwarber lf	4	1	1	1	0	0	.154
Realmuto c	4	0	0	0	0	3	.263
Hall 1b	2	0	1	0	0	0	.222
Sosa 3b-cf	2	0	0	0	0	1	.300
Castellanos dh	3	1	0	0	1	3	.182
Stott 2b	4	0	2	0	0	1	.435
Bohm 3b-1b	2	0	0	0	1	1	.350
Cave rf	1	0	0	1	1	1	.167
Pache cf	2	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Harrison ph-3b	1	0	0	0	0	0	.167
Totals	**29**	**2**	**5**	**2**	**3**	**12**	

NY YANKEES	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
LeMahieu 2b	3	1	1	0	1	1	.300
Judge cf	3	1	1	0	1	1	.348
Rizzo 1b	4	0	1	0	0	1	.313
Torres dh	4	0	3	2	0	0	.421
Donaldson 3b	1	0	0	0	0	0	.125
Kiner-Falefa 3b	3	0	0	0	0	1	.000
Cabrera lf	3	1	1	0	1	0	.267
FCordero rf	4	0	1	0	0	1	.222
Trevino c	3	1	1	2	0	1	.308
Volpe ss	3	0	0	0	0	2	.176
Totals	**31**	**4**	**9**	**4**	**3**	**8**	

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NY Yankees.....100 001 20x — 4 9 0

LOB—Philadelphia 5, NY 6. **2B**—Stott (3), LeMahieu (2), Torres (1), Cabrera (1). **HR**—Schwarber (2), off Loáisiga, Trevino (1), off Soto. **SB**—Judge (1), Torres 2 (5). **CS**—Torres (1). **SF**—Cave. **DP**—Philadelphia 1.

Philadelphia	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Nola L 0-1	6	7	3	3	1	5	7.45
Soto	1	1	1	1	2	3	18.00
Domínguez	1	1	0	0	0	0	18.00

NY Yankees	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Cole W 2-0	6⅓	3	1	1	3	8	0.73
Loáisiga	1⅔	2	1	1	0	1	2.70
Holmes S 1	1	0	0	0	0	3	6.75

Inherited runners-scored—Soto 1-1, Loáisiga 1-1. **HBP**—by Loáisiga (Bohm). **NP**—Nola 87, Soto 34, Domínguez 11, Cole 103, Loáisiga 16, Holmes 16. **Umpires**—Home, Nic Lentz; First, Jeremie Rehak; Second, Paul Emmel; Third, Chad Fairchild. **T**—2:30. **A**—35,847 (46,537).

GUARDIANS 6, ATHLETICS 4

CLEVELAND	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Kwan lf	5	0	2	1	1	0	.323
Rosario ss	5	0	0	0	1	3	.182
Ramírez dh	3	1	1	0	2	0	.310
Bell 1b	5	0	1	0	0	2	.091
Gonzalez rf	5	1	1	0	0	0	.182
Arias 3b	3	0	0	0	2	1	.167
Giménez 2b	4	2	1	2	0	1	.321
Straw cf	4	2	2	0	1	1	.364
Gallagher c	3	0	1	2	1	0	.167
Brennan ph	1	0	0	1	0	0	.222
Viloria c	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Totals	**38**	**6**	**9**	**6**	**8**	**8**	

OAKLAND	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Kemp 2b	3	1	0	0	2	1	.227
Peterson 3b	3	0	0	0	0	0	.071
Díaz ph-3b	1	1	0	0	1	1	.150
Aguilar dh	5	1	2	3	0	0	.278
Brown lf	4	0	0	0	0	1	.208
Laureano rf	4	0	0	0	0	1	.227
Langeliers c	4	0	1	0	0	1	.211
Capel pr	0	0	0	0	0	0	.375
Pérez c	0	0	0	0	0	0	.400
Noda 1b	3	1	1	1	1	2	.250
Allen ss	4	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Ruiz cf	3	0	0	0	1	0	.211
Totals	**34**	**4**	**4**	**4**	**5**	**7**	

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Oakland.....000 000 040 0 — 4 4 2

E—Langeliers (2), Laureano (1). **LOB**—Cleveland 12, Oakland 6. **2B**—Gallagher (1), Aguilar (1). **HR**—Aguilar (1), off Herrin, Noda (1), off Sandlin. **SB**—Kwan (1), Straw (5), Peterson (1), Capel 2 (2). **CS**—Kwan (1).

Cleveland	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Gaddis	6	1	0	0	2	4	3.72
Sandlin	1⅔	1	1	1	0	1	2.25
Herrin BS 1	⅓	1	3	3	2	0	10.13
Morgan W 1-0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0.00
Clase S 2	1	0	0	0	1	1	4.50

Oakland	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Muller	5⅔	4	2	2	3	5	2.53
Acevedo	⅓	1	0	0	0	0	8.10
Martínez	2	3	2	2	3	1	3.60
Familia	1	0	0	0	1	1	0.00
Jackson L 0-1	1	1	2	1	1	1	2.45

Inherited runners-scored—Acevedo 2-2. **IBB**—off Muller (Ramírez). **HBP**—by Muller (Giménez). **WP**—Jackson. **NP**—Gaddis 77, Sandlin 24, Herrin 30, Morgan 19, Clase 15, Muller 95, Acevedo 3, Martínez 43, Familia 16, Jackson 23. **Umpires**—Home, Lance Barrett; First, Ramon De Jesus; Second, Alfonso Marquez; Third, Doug Eddings. **T**—2:58. **A**—4,930 (46,847).

BRAVES 5, CARDINALS 2

ATLANTA	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Acuña rf	5	2	2	0	0	1	.370
Olson 1b	5	2	3	3	0	1	.308
Riley 3b	4	1	2	1	0	0	.273
d'Arnaud c	4	0	0	0	0	0	.385
Harris cf	4	0	1	0	0	2	.227
Albies 2b	3	0	1	1	0	0	.304
Ozuna dh	3	0	0	0	1	2	.059
Rosario lf	4	0	0	0	0	1	.231
Arcia ss	4	0	1	0	0	1	.304
Totals	**36**	**5**	**10**	**5**	**1**	**8**	

ST. LOUIS	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Donovan 2b	2	0	0	0	2	1	.273
Burleson lf	3	0	1	0	0	1	.313
Contreras ph-c	1	0	0	0	0	0	.333
Goldschmidt 1b	1	0	0	0	2	0	.450
Arenado 3b	4	0	1	0	0	2	.308
Gorman dh	4	0	1	0	0	2	.438
Carlson cf	4	1	1	0	0	0	.385
Walker rf	4	1	2	2	0	1	.333
Edman ss	4	0	0	0	0	0	.261
Knizner c	2	0	0	0	0	0	.143
O'Neill ph-lf	1	0	0	0	0	0	.278
Totals	**30**	**2**	**6**	**2**	**4**	**7**	

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LOB—Atlanta 6, St. Louis 6. **2B**—Olson 2 (3), Riley (1), Gorman (1), Carlson (1), Walker (2). **HR**—Olson (3), off Mikolas, Walker (1), off Tonkin. **SB**—Harris (1). **SF**—Albies. **DP**—Atlanta 2.

Atlanta	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Elder W 1-0	6	2	0	0	3	6	0.00
Tonkin	1	1	1	1	0	1	2.70
Lee	⅔	0	0	0	1	0	0.00
McHugh	1	3	1	1	0	0	2.45
Chavez S 1	⅓	0	0	0	0	0	0.00

St. Louis	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Mikolas L 0-1	6	9	5	5	1	6	9.64
Naughton	1	1	0	0	0	0	0.00
Stratton	2	0	0	0	0	2	2.45

Inherited runners-scored—McHugh 1-0, Chavez 1-0. **HBP**—by Elder (Goldschmidt). **NP**—Elder 79, Tonkin 17, Lee 14, McHugh 27, Chavez 5, Mikolas 98, Naughton 20, Stratton 28. **Umpires**—Home, Todd Tichenor; First, Brian Knight; Second, Tony Randazzo; Third, Junior Valentine. **T**—2:27. **A**—36,300 (44,383).

BREWERS 7, METS 6

NY METS	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Nimmo cf	5	0	0	0	0	1	.238
Marte rf	3	2	1	0	0	0	.280
Lindor ss	4	2	3	2	0	0	.227
Alonso 1b	4	2	2	4	0	1	.192
Vogelbach dh	1	0	0	0	3	0	.200
Locastro pr-dh	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
McNeil 2b	4	0	0	0	0	1	.250
Canha lf	4	0	0	0	0	1	.160
Narváez c	4	0	1	0	0	1	.286
Nido c	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Guillorme 3b	4	0	0	0	0	0	.167
Totals	**33**	**6**	**7**	**6**	**3**	**5**	

MILWAUKEE	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Brosseau 3b	3	0	1	0	0	1	.167
Mitchell ph-cf	2	1	1	1	0	1	.300
Adames ss	2	0	0	0	2	1	.238
Yelich lf	3	1	0	0	1	2	.217
Contreras c	3	0	1	0	1	0	.250
Voit 1b	4	1	2	0	0	2	.222
Anderson rf-3b	3	1	1	0	1	1	.500
Winker dh	4	1	2	2	0	0	.333
Miller 2b	2	1	1	1	0	0	.500
Turang ph-2b	2	0	0	0	0	1	.313
Wiemer cf-rf	4	1	1	3	0	1	.353
Totals	**32**	**7**	**10**	**7**	**5**	**10**	

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LOB—NY 4, Milwaukee 6. **2B**—Marte (2), Lindor 2 (3), Winker 2 (2). **HR**—Alonso 2 (3), off Burnes, off Burnes, Mitchell (3), off Ottavino, Wiemer (1), off Peterson. **SB**—Marte (3), Locastro (1), Voit (1). **CS**—Adames (1). **DP**—Milwaukee 1.

NY Mets	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Peterson	4	5	5	5	5	5	6.00
Smith	1	2	1	1	0	2	3.38
Curtiss	2	2	0	0	0	3	2.25
Robertson	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
Ottavino L 0-1	0	1	1	1	0	0	4.50

Milwaukee	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Burnes	4⅓	7	6	6	2	3	9.64
Milner	1⅔	0	0	0	0	1	0.00
Strzelecki	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
Bush	1	0	0	0	1	1	0.00
Williams W 1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.00

Inherited runners-scored—Smith 1-1, Milner 1-0. **HBP**—by Burnes (Marte). **NP**—Peterson 92, Smith 29, Curtiss 26, Robertson 12, Ottavino 7, Burnes 93, Milner 14, Strzelecki 12, Bush 15, Williams 9. **Umpires**—Home, Mike Muchlinski; First, Sean Barber; Second, Alan Porter; Third, Jim Wolf. **T**—2:45. **A**—18,387 (41,700).

THIS DATE IN HISTORY

1971: Willie Mays of the San Francisco Giants hits a home run on Opening Day, marking the start of a historic streak. Mays will hit home runs in each of the Giants' first four games.
1972: For the first time in history, the major leagues failed to open on schedule because of a player strike, which started on April 1. The traditional season opener between Houston and Cincinnati was canceled and a total of 86 games were lost before the strike was settled.
1973: Ron Blomberg of the Yankees became the first major league designated hitter. With the bases loaded in the first inning, he was walked by pitcher Luis Tiant, but the Red Sox won, 15-5.
1973: At the Oakland Coliseum, Tony Oliva became the first designated hitter to homer. The Twins DH hit a two-run shot in the first inning off of Catfish Hunter to Minnesota to an 8-3 win.
1974: Due to renovations at Yankee Stadium, the New York Yankees' home opener took place at Shea Stadium. It was their first home game outside Yankee Stadium since 1922.

MARLINS 5, TWINS 2

MINNESOTA	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Buxton dh	4	0	1	0	0	2	.350
Correa ss	3	0	0	0	1	1	.208
Solano 1b	3	0	1	0	0	1	.222
Gallo ph-1b	1	0	0	0	0	1	.235
Miranda 3b	4	0	0	0	0	1	.143
Farmer 2b	4	1	1	0	0	1	.182
Jeffers c	3	1	1	0	1	1	.444
Castro lf	4	0	0	0	0	1	.000
Larnach rf	4	0	1	1	0	2	.391
Taylor cf	3	0	1	0	0	1	.200
Totals	**33**	**2**	**6**	**1**	**2**	**12**	

MIAMI	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Chisholm cf	1	0	1	0	0	0	.190
De La Cruz cf	3	1	1	1	0	0	.235
Soler dh	4	2	2	4	0	1	.259
Cooper 1b	4	0	0	0	0	1	.261
García rf	3	0	0	0	0	2	.158
Fortes c	3	0	0	0	0	1	.300
Sánchez lf	2	0	0	0	1	2	.111
Segura 3b	3	1	2	0	0	1	.190
Berti ss	3	1	1	0	0	0	.222
Hampson 2b	2	0	0	0	0	1	.000
Arraez ph-2b	1	0	0	0	0	1	.458
Totals	**29**	**5**	**7**	**5**	**1**	**10**	

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E—Segura (1). **LOB**—Minnesota 6, Miami 1. **2B**—Jeffers (1). **HR**—Soler 2 (3), off PLópez, off Thielbar. **SB**—Taylor (1), Sánchez (1). **CS**—Castro (1), Chisholm (1), Segura (1).

Minnesota	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
PLópez	7	3	1	1	1	8	0.73
Jax L 0-1	⅓	2	2	2	0	1	7.71
Thielbar	⅔	2	2	2	0	1	6.75

Miami	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Luzardo	7	5	1	1	1	10	0.71
Floro W 1-0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0.00
Puk	1	1	1	1	1	1	9.00

Inherited runners-scored—Thielbar 2-2. **WP**—Puk. **NP**—PLópez 88, Jax 9, Thielbar 13, Luzardo 99, Floro 16, Puk 27. **Umpires**—Home, Andy Fletcher; First, Ryan Wills; Second, Mike Estabrook; Third, Laz Diaz. **T**—2:10. **A**—8,981 (37,446).

RANGERS 5, ORIOLES 2

BALTIMORE	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Mullins cf	4	0	0	0	0	2	.250
Rutschman c	3	0	0	0	1	1	.296
Santander rf	4	0	0	0	0	3	.200
Mountcastle 1b	4	1	1	0	0	2	.269
Henderson 3b	4	0	0	0	0	3	.125
Vavra dh	1	1	0	0	1	1	.200
Urías ph-dh	1	0	0	0	0	0	.188
Hays lf	3	0	0	1	0	1	.350
Frazier 2b	3	0	1	1	0	1	.353
Mateo ss	2	0	0	0	1	1	.313
Totals	**29**	**2**	**2**	**2**	**3**	**15**	

TEXAS	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Semien 2b	3	0	1	0	1	1	.240
Seager ss	4	1	0	0	0	2	.217
Lowe 1b	4	0	1	1	0	0	.240
García cf-rf	4	2	2	1	0	0	.348
Jung 3b	4	1	2	3	0	0	.318
Grossman rf-lf	4	0	1	0	0	1	.263
Garver dh	4	0	1	0	0	2	.357
Heim c	3	0	0	0	0	2	.154
Duran lf	3	1	1	0	0	1	.167
Jankowski cf	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.000
Totals	**33**	**5**	**9**	**5**	**1**	**9**	

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E—Henderson (2), Semien (1). **LOB**—Baltimore 3, Texas 5. **2B**—Mountcastle (3), Lowe (2), García (1). **HR**—Jung (2), off Voth. **CS**—Rutschman (1). **DP**—Texas 1.

Baltimore	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Rodriguez	5	4	2	2	1	5	3.60
Voth L 0-1	1⅓	4	3	3	0	3	15.43
Akin	⅔	1	0	0	0	0	7.71
Baker	1	0	0	0	0	1	7.36

Texas	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
deGrom W 1-0	6	2	2	1	2	11	5.59
WiSmith	1⅓	0	0	0	0	2	0.00
Hernández	⅔	0	0	0	1	1	2.08
Leclerc S 1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0.00

Inherited runners-scored—Akin 1-1. **WP**—Rodriguez. **NP**—Rod

Baseball

RED SOX NOTEBOOK

Winckowski could be valuable in bullpen

By Alex Speier
GLOBE STAFF

When **Josh Winckowski** made the Red Sox' season-opening roster, there appeared a reasonable chance he would do so merely as a placeholder on the pitching staff.

Garrett Whitlock, **Brayan Bello**, and **James Paxton** are potentially in line to rejoin the team this month. With their anticipated returns, Winckowski seemed like a multi-inning option to start the year who would then head into the Triple A rotation if and when the trio of rehabbing pitchers joined the club.

That thinking may be shifting. Winckowski has been among the most impressive pitchers on the Sox staff, allowing one run over six innings in three relief appearances. He's attacked the strike zone (six strikeouts, one walk), avoided hard contact, and shown the ability to handle varying appearance lengths, with outings of one, two, and three innings.

As a rookie last season, Winckowski took his lumps, forging a 5.89 ERA in 70⅓ innings with one of the lowest strikeout rates (13.9 percent) in the big leagues. He worked to sharpen his mix in the offseason, shaping his cutter to more effectively dart on the hands of lefties and his slider to miss bats. While throwing out of the bullpen, he's also featured an early uptick in velocity, averaging 95.2 miles per hour on his sinker, up from 94 last year.

"It's obviously a smaller sample size, but so far, pretty happy with it. I feel like I've been executing and hitting better locations so far this year compared to last year," said Winckowski. "Every pitch has gotten a little bit sharper and then just filling up the zone with strike one, I've been ahead a lot early on, and that obviously helps a ton and opens up the pitch-calling."

The combination of stuff and strike-throwing has commanded the attention of the Sox. So, too, have the conversations between Winckowski and Whitlock — whose multi-innings bullpen role had a huge impact on the Red Sox in 2021.

"[Whitlock] has been huge for [Winckowski], kind of walking through the process and talking to him about how to attack hitters, routines, the role," said manager **Alex Cora**. "That's how Garrett started in '21 and you saw what happened. Hopefully that happens [with Winckowski], too.

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Red Sox left fielder Masataka Yoshida grounded into a double play in the ninth inning to finish his 0-for-4 day.

"[Winckowski's] stuff is a lot better compared to last year. He understands who he is and what he needs to do. With all that, he's striking out people, which is different from last year."

Trio working way back

Righthander Bello — who was shut down briefly in February with elbow soreness — made his fourth game appearance in his buildup toward the season, throwing five innings and 72 pitches in an extended spring training game in Fort Myers, Fla. He's expected to get at least one more rehab start next week, but could become an option for the big league rotation by the middle of the month.

Righthander Whitlock will start for Double A Portland on Thursday in what the Red Sox expect to be his final tuneup before joining the rotation next week in Tampa, likely on Tuesday. Lefthander Paxton, who threw three innings on Tuesday in Fort Myers, is scheduled to make his next rehab start on Sunday against Triple A Buffalo, should weather permit — a matter not taken for granted after Worcester's games were postponed Tuesday and Wednesday. Paxton, who was slowed by a hamstring strain in spring training, has made a pair of starts in extended spring training, working two and three innings.

No theft protection

The Pirates executed an uncontested double-steal in the ninth inning of their 4-1 win Wednesday at Fenway Park with reliever **Zack Kelly** on the mound. Through six games, opponents are 14 for 14 in stolen base attempts against the Red Sox.

The Sox are the first team since the 1987 Expos to allow 14 steals while failing to catch a thief through six games. All 14 steals have occurred with **Reese McGuire** behind the plate.

"Obviously the running game, we've got to do a better job," said Cora.

Slow start bad omen?

The Red Sox have made the playoffs just three times when carrying a sub-.500 record after a half-dozen games — most recently in 2009. The Red Sox, of course, downplayed any broader significance of a lackluster record after two series.

"I guess we got off to a good start in the first few and these last few games didn't go the way we would have liked them to. I don't think anybody would disagree with that," pitcher **Corey Kluber** said after the Pirates' sweep. "The one good thing about baseball is we have an opportunity tomorrow to come and right the ship and put these three behind us. Nothing that happened the last three days has any effect on the way we're able to play the game tomorrow."

Story staying put

Shortstop **Trevor Story** will stay in Boston to continue his rehab during the team's road trip. Three months removed from the placement of an internal brace on his throwing elbow, Story recently began picking up a plyo ball as he moves closer to a throwing program … The Sox will be staying outside of the city during their three-game, four-day series in Detroit. Cora suggested the team might try to take advantage of the 30- to 40-minute commute. "[Bench coach **Ramón Vázquez**] was saying we're going to have our advance meeting on the bus [Thursday]," said Cora. "I want to see that happen."

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Red Sox-Tigers series thumbnails

At Comerica Park, Detroit
Thursday, 1:10 p.m.
NESN, WEEI-FM (93.7)

	W-L	ERA
LHP Chris Sale	0-0	21.00
RHP Spencer Turnbull	0-1	27.00

Saturday, 4:10 p.m.
NESN, WEEI-FM (93.7)

	W-L	ERA
RHP Tanner Houck	1-0	5.40
LHP Joey Wentz	0-1	5.06

Sunday, 1:10 p.m.
NESN, WEEI-FM (93.7)

	W-L	ERA
RHP Kutter Crawford	0-1	15.75
LHP Matthew Boyd	0-0	4.15

Head to head: This is the first of two series. The Red Sox went 5-1 vs. Detroit last season.
Miscellany: The Tigers scored the fewest runs (557) in the majors last season . . . The Tigers posted a .219 batting average against righthanded pitching last season . . . Detroit went 13-22 at home after the All-Star break in 2022 . . . The Tigers entered Wednesday with the fifth-highest ERA (5.93) in the majors this season.

Pirates 4, Red Sox 1

Tuesday night game
At Fenway Park

PITTSBURGH	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Cruz ss	4	0	0	0	1	1	.263
Reynolds cf-lf	4	1	3	2	0	1	.429
McCutchen rf	2	0	0	0	2	1	.182
Santana 1b	4	0	0	0	0	1	.105
Choi dh	4	0	0	0	0	0	.083
Hayes 3b	4	0	0	0	0	0	.100
Smith-Njigba lf	4	1	0	0	0	4	.167
Castro 2b	0	0	0	0	0	0	.125
Bae 2b-cf	4	1	1	2	0	1	.214
Heineman c	3	1	1	0	1	0	.333
Totals	**33**	**4**	**5**	**4**	**4**	**9**	

BOSTON	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Verdugo rf	4	1	1	0	0	0	.391
Devers 3b	4	0	0	0	0	0	.348
Turner dh	3	0	1	0	1	0	.316
Yoshida lf	4	0	0	1	0	0	.238
Duvall cf	4	0	0	0	0	1	.476
Casas 1b	4	0	0	0	0	0	.133
Hernández ss	4	0	0	0	0	2	.176
McGuire c	3	0	2	0	0	0	.333
Chang 2b	2	0	0	0	0	1	.000
Tapia ph	0	0	0	0	0	0	.500
Arroyo ph-2b	1	0	0	0	0	1	.077
Totals	**33**	**1**	**4**	**1**	**1**	**5**	

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Boston ..... 100 000 000 — 1 4 0

E—Cruz (1), Santana (1). **LOB**—Pittsburgh 6, Boston 6. **2B**—Reynolds (1), McGuire 2 (2). **HR**—Reynolds (4), off Pivetta, Bae (1), off Pivetta. **SB**—Cruz (1), Heineman (1). **Runners left in scoring position**—Pittsburgh 3 (Santana 3), Boston 4 (Duvall 2, Chang, Arroyo). **RISP**—Pittsburgh 1 for 4, Boston 0 for 5. **Runners moved up**—Yoshida.

Pittsburgh	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Contrers W 1-0	5⅔	3	1	1	1	2	78	1.59
Moreta	1	1	0	0	0	1	22	0.00
Hernandez	⅓	0	0	0	0	1	4	0.00
Holderman	1	0	0	0	0	0	18	0.00
Bednar S 3	1	0	0	0	0	1	11	0.00

Boston	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Pivetta L 0-1	5	3	3	1	3	6	87	1.80
Winckowski	3	2	1	1	1	3	51	1.50
Brasier	1	0	0	0	0	0	15	9.00

Inherited runners-scored—Moreta 2-0, Hernandez 1-0. **PB**—McGuire. **Umpires**—Home, Dan Iassogna; First, Scott Barry; Second, Clint Vondrak; Third, Adam Beck. **T**—2:36. **A**—28,842 (37,755).

Looking inside the numbers to compare Sox with other players

By Chad Finn
GLOBE STAFF

What would you say to a Red Sox lineup that included Coco Crisp, Ron Kittle, and Eric Chavez? Or a pitching staff featuring Stephen Strasberg and Dazzy Vance, with Craig Kimbrel and Hideki Okajima coming out of the bullpen?

You'd say, "Man, I knew Chaim Bloom turned things over, but the Sox are more doomed than I thought. Is this some analytics thing I don't understand? Most of those guys are retired, the ones still playing aren't very good, and Vance died 62 years ago."

To which I paraphrase "Major League" and say, "Cross him off, then."

Fortunately, this isn't a literal exercise. It's our annual look at the Red Sox roster through the prism of their most similar players in baseball history through their current age, per a formula developed by Bill James in the 1980s and readily available on each player's baseball-reference.com page.

STARTING LINEUP

Alex Verdugo

Comps through age 26: Coco Crisp, Danny Litwhiler, Tito Francona

The irresistible comparison for Verdugo during his two full seasons with the Sox has been Andrew Benintendi, his direct predecessor in left field. (Verdugo has moved to right this year, which should be an adventure.) But it's another former Red Sox outfielder who lands as an intriguing top comp. Crisp's not stylistically similar to Verdugo per se, a sensational defensive outfielder in his three seasons with the Sox (2006-08) before Jacoby Ellsbury bumped him aside, who stole 309 bases in a 15-year career. Verdugo should be a better hitter than Crisp, who had a career .265/.327/.402 slash line. He should strive to contribute as much overall.

Rafael Devers

Comps through age 25: Eric Chavez, Ryan Zimmerman, Bob Horner

The only difference between this year's top three for Devers and last season's is Horner, the Braves slugger who bounded from Arizona State straight to the major leagues in 1978, and Nationals fan favorite Zimmerman switching spots. Devers's top 10 is encouraging in some ways. Hall of Famers Scott Rolen (5) and Ron Santo (10) appear on his list, as does contemporary potential Hall of Famer Nolan Arenado (9). But it also is populated with peaked early/got hurt types such as David Wright (4), Evan Longoria (6), and Troy Glaus (7).

Justin Turner

Comps through age 37: Melvin Mora, Casey Blake, Kevin Millar

Turner and Mora were actually teammates on the 2009 Orioles, for whom the current Red Sox designated hitter made his debut. But the name that pops around here is, of course, Millar, who was a productive hitter and good-natured vocal leader for the Red Sox from 2003-05.

Masataka Yoshida

Comps through age 28: None. He's new in town.

After Yoshida went 2 for 4 with a run and an RBI on Opening Day, I tossed out a question on Twitter, asking fans to project his final stats. I'd say the average of the 80-something responses was a .295-ish batting average, 22 or so home runs, roughly 90 RBIs, and a bushel of walks. (I believe 80 walks fit in a bushel, but I'll have to double check.) Optimistic? No, realistic. He hit 21 home runs and drove in 72 in each of the last two seasons for the Orix Buffaloes in Nippon Professional Baseball, so perhaps the run production will be less than anticipated. But he's clearly a polished offensive player. I see a young Mike Greenwell, who averaged 20 homers, 104 RBIs, 61 walks, 39 strikeouts, and averaged .326/.404/.547 in his first two full seasons (1987-88).

Adam Duvall

Comps through age 33: Ron Kittle, Russell Branyan, Brandon Moss

Got a chuckle when typing Duvall's name into baseball-reference's search and it tried to autofill with former Reds and White Sox slugger/whiffer/walker Adam Dunn. Dunn was the extreme version of his fellow Adam D., seeming to homer, strike out, or walk in virtually every plate appearance. Duvall doesn't walk much — he's averaged 40 per 162 games in his career — but he will rack up the homers and whiffs. Two seasons ago, he hit 38 home runs, drove in a National League-best 113 runs, and struck out 175 times. As for his actual comps, Kittle, who hit 35 homers as a rookie with the 1983 White Sox and may have led my foolish 13-year-old self to "invest" in too many of his rookie cards, is a logical No. 1. But really, Duvall is supposed to be this year's Hunter Renfroe, right?

Triston Casas

Comps through age 23: None, since he's a rookie.

I've become a big believer in Casas, whose eventual ceiling could be Adrian Gonzalez without the tiresome personality. Casas, mostly because of injuries, never hit more than 20 home runs in a season in the minors; neither did Gonzalez, for the record. But his raw power is apparent, and he did have six in his first 113 career big league plate appearances. Casas's career slash line in four seasons in the minors is .269/.374/.485. The hunch here is that he comes quite close to those percentages as a rookie and has a season similar to, oh, Gonzalez's 2015 season with the Dodgers (.275/.350/.480, 28 home runs).

Christian Arroyo

Comps through age 27: Chris Nelson, Bobby Morgan, David Bote

That's an interesting, if hardly inspiring array. Nelson, the ninth overall pick in the 2004 draft by the Rockies, went .301/.352/.458 with nine homers for Colorado in 2012, but played just 91 major league games after that season. Morgan played for a handful of NL teams in the 1950s and hit 14 homers for the '54 Phillies. Bote is a utility player for the Cubs. If Arroyo, who has never played more than 87 games in a season, can stay healthy, his comps will feature different names next year.

Reese McGuire

Comps through age 27: Charlie Berry, Jerry Willard, Nelson Santovania

Not exactly inspiring company. Berry played for the Red Sox from 1928-32, hitting 14 homers with a .711 OPS. Willard, the Indians' No. 1 prospect in 1984 per Baseball America, hit .249 with 25 homers over eight seasons. Santovania played mostly for the Expos, who should still exist. McGuire might be a reliable backup, especially if his pitchers give him a chance to throw out a base stealer once in a while, but this could be the weakest position on the Sox roster.

Kiké Hernández

Comps through age 30: Trevor Plouffe, Mike Pagliarulo, Jackie Bradley Jr.

Figured Hernandez might end up with a trio of super-utility types, but instead he got two low-average, good-power third basemen and his predecessor in center field. Plouffe hit 24 homers for the 2012 Twins; Medford's Pagliarulo clubbed 32 homers for the 1987 Yankees and won a ring with the '91 Twins. Bradley . . . well, you know him. He's the best defensive center fielder the Red Sox have had in my lifetime, and on the short list of the streakiest hitters.

STARTING PITCHERS

Chris Sale

Comps through age 33: Stephen Strasberg, Adam Wainwright, Jose Rijo

This is what it looks like when you're one of the most dominating pitchers of your era — I'm still thrown off by the fact that Sale never claimed a Cy Young Award — but have barely pitched for three years. You end up on lists alongside electrifying, injury-plagued pitchers such as Strasberg and Rijo, the hero of the Reds' 1990 World Series champs. Sale's comps have shifted with his recent absences. His most similar pitcher entering 2020 was Cole Hamels.

Corey Kluber

Comps through age 36: Dazzy Vance, Preacher Roe, John Tudor

Vance, a Hall of Famer who was the 1924 NL Most Valuable Player after going 28-6 with a 2.16 ERA for the Brooklyn Robins, is swell company. It's cool to see Tudor's name too, even though he's stylistically opposite of Kluber; he was one of three talented lefties (along with Bruce Hurst and Bob Ojeda) who came up with the early 1980s Red Sox.

Nick Pivetta

Comps through age 29: Jason Hammel, Shaun Boskie, Brian Bannister

Pivetta's inspired performance down the stretch and in the 2021 postseason has somewhat obscured he has been mediocre at best (career 5.02 ERA, 4.47 with the Sox) for most of his career. That three-pack of uninspiring comps, which includes Bannister, the Red Sox' former vice president of pitching development, confirms it.

Garrett Whitlock

Comps through age 26: Eric Show, Pat Neshek, Mychal Givens

Whitlock's comps are all over the place, in part because he has had an unconventional start to his career, first as a relief ace, and now as a starter.

Tanner Houck

Comps through age 26: Jack Ferry, Hersh Freeman, Chad Green

Houck, like Whitlock, is another tough one to gauge because he's flipped from rotation to bullpen.

RELIEF PITCHERS

Kenley Jansen

Comps through age 34: Craig Kimbrel, Jonathan Papelbon, Mariano Rivera.

Go ahead, find better company among closers. Any time a pitcher's numbers align with Rivera's, he's doing something extremely right. I've never really considered it until now, but Jansen, who needs nine saves for 400, has a legitimate Hall of Fame case. Nos. 4 and 5 on his list are Cooperstown enshrinee Trevor Hoffman and Billy Wagner, who is trending toward joining him.

Chris Martin

Comps through age 36: Bobby Tiefenaur, Yoshihisa Hirano, Chad Fox

I get itchy seeing Fox's name on this list. He was the adventure of a lifetime on Opening Day 2003 when he gave up a walkoff home run to Tampa Bay's Carl Crawford, getting the maligned "closer by committee" off to a rough start.

Richard Bleier

Comps through age 35: Hideki Okajima, Caleb Thielbar, Joey Eischen

I'll acknowledge I didn't know much about Bleier, an eight-year veteran who broke in with the Yankees at age 29, when the Red Sox acquired him from the Marlins for Matt Barnes in February. But anyone whose top comp is Okajima, the easygoing setup man for the 2007 World Series champs, is off to a good start with me.

Ryan Brasier

Comps through age 34: Chris Martin, Toby Borland, Joe Nelson

Interesting to see him matched with new teammate Martin, whose career blossomed *after* age 34. Scott Atchison, who had a 3.18 ERA in 102 games for the Red Sox from 2010-12, is 10th on Brasier's list. I think I'd rather have Atchison on this year's roster.

Joely Rodriguez

Comps through age 30: Randy Choate, Dennis Kinney, Randy Niemann

Choate was a quintessential lefty specialist who lasted 15 years and pitched 672 games in the bigs, so that's not a bad career outcome. Kinney pitched in the first game I ever went to at Fenway, a 9-7 Red Sox win on April 21, 1978. The associations baseball gives us are a treasured gift.

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Alex Cora receives the bad news that Reese McGuire's would-be homer was a foul ball.

Red Sox unravel as Pirates finish sweep

▶RED SOX *Continued from Page C1*

some of the momentum," said Casas. "I'm not saying I was trying to get it all back on that one play. I knew the man at the plate was the fastest man on the field, and I knew the catcher was running at second base. I guess I didn't have a feel for where [Delay] was and probably should have just tried to give it to Ort or tried to beat Cruz to the bag, looking back on it. But I think in the moment it was the right decision."

Cora disagreed, believing the ball hadn't been hit hard enough for Casas to consider a play at third. The manager would have preferred the sure out at first.

The consequences of Casas's choice almost immediately became evident. Bryan Reynolds — who continued his outrageous series by going 1 for 3 with a double, sac fly, and walk — lofted a fly ball to left-center.

Left fielder Masataka Yoshida caught the ball flat-footed after drifting to his left, leaving little chance for a play at the plate. But he threw home anyway, permitting Cruz to take off for second.

Yoshida's decision was compounded by both an errant throw well wide of the plate and by third baseman Rafael Devers — who could not hear catcher Connor Wong calling for him to cut off the ball — electing not to catch a ball that sailed wide of the batter's circle.

With Devers by the mound, Cruz saw an unguarded bag and took off for third. Devers sprinted back but was late for Ort's throw, the third baseman colliding with the diving Cruz as the ball trickled loose. Cruz was safe, an error was charged to Yoshida, Devers got banged up (though he stayed in the game and pronounced himself fine), and the Red Sox manager stewed when Carlos Santana soon doubled home Cruz.

"You make bad decisions, you put yourself in a bad spot and that's what happens," said Cora.

Sox starter Corey Kluber, by contrast, had done what he could to put his team in a solid position. The veteran bounced back from his rough Opening Day performance (five runs, four walks in 3⅓ innings) to sail through five innings in which he was touched only for a solo homer, lined just inside the Pesky Pole by Santana to open the fourth.

Though Kluber threw just 67 pitches (44 strikes), Cora elected to turn to his bullpen. Kluber didn't resist.

"My job is to pitch as long as the manager says whether it's five innings or nine innings. I think there are a lot of decisions that go into it on their part that are beyond me and just the way I'm feeling," shrugged Kluber. "So I've always tried to approach it as go out there and give it my all for as long as they deem necessary."

The Pirates, however, quickly opened up the game, adding a run in the sixth against John Schreiber and — aided by the Sox' sloppiness — two more in the seventh against Ort for a 4-0 lead. The Sox offense, meanwhile, was shut down by Pirates starter Mitch Keller, who carved the strike zone with a far-ranging mix, allowing him to carry a shutout into the seventh.

"He's got three different fastballs with command of a changeup and two breaking balls," said Casas. "That six-pitch mix, attacking the zone with all of them, made him tough."

Still, on an otherwise gray day, a moment of hope glistened for the Sox in the seventh. Casas doubled and scored on a Christian Arroyo single, and another single brought the tying run to the plate with two outs. Pinch hitter Reese McGuire lofted a high fly ball down the line and into the grandstand beyond the Pesky Pole.

The moonshot was initially ruled fair for a three-run homer that awakened the Fenway crowd. However, the umpiring crew reassessed the verdict of first base umpire Clint Vondrak, determining that the ball had been foul. A video review confirmed that conclusion, and with two strikes, McGuire went down looking at a 96-mile-per-hour fastball, Keller's 107th and final pitch of the game.

The Sox never again threatened. The seemingly explosive offense that amassed 32 runs through the first 28 innings of the season managed just three over the final 26 frames against Pittsburgh's pitchers.

"Overall, [the Pirates] kicked our butt. They came to Fenway Park and they swept us," said Cora. "We know we have a lot of work to do."

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Pirates 4, Red Sox 1

At Fenway Park

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Reynolds lf	3	1	1	1	1	0	.417
McCutchen dh	4	0	2	0	0	0	.267
Santana 1b	4	1	2	2	1	1	.174
Hayes 3b	4	0	1	1	0	1	.125
Suwinski rf-cf	2	0	0	0	2	0	.111
Castro 2b-ss	4	0	0	0	0	1	.083
Bae cf-2b	4	0	1	0	0	0	.222
Delay c	4	1	1	0	0	1	.250
Totals	**34**	**4**	**9**	**4**	**4**	**5**	

BOSTON	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Verdugo rf	3	0	0	0	1	1	.346
Devers 3b	4	0	0	0	0	1	.296
Turner dh	3	0	1	0	1	0	.318
Yoshida lf	4	0	0	0	0	1	.200
Casas 1b	4	1	1	0	0	0	.158
Arroyo 2b	3	0	2	1	0	1	.188
Tapia cf	3	0	1	0	0	1	.400
Chang ss	2	0	0	0	0	2	.000
a-McGuire ph-c	1	0	0	0	0	1	.300
Wong c	2	0	0	0	0	0	.083
Hernández ss	1	0	0	0	0	0	.167
Totals	**30**	**1**	**5**	**1**	**2**	**8**	

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a-struck out for Chang in 7th. **E**—Bleier (1), Yoshida (1). **LOB**—Pittsburgh 9, Boston 4. **2B**—Reynolds (2), Santana (1), Delay (1), Casas (1). **HR**—Santana (1), off Kluber. **SB**—Reynolds (1), McCutchen (1), Arroyo (1). **SF**—Reynolds. **Runners left in scoring position**—Pittsburgh 6 (Hayes, Suwinski 2, Bae 2, Delay), Boston 2 (Chang, McGuire). **RISP**—Pittsburgh 3 for 13, Boston 2 for 5. **Runners moved up**—Tapia. **GIDP**—Castro, Yoshida. **DP**—Pittsburgh 2; Boston 2.

Pittsburgh	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Keller W 1-0	7	4	1	1	2	7	107	3.86
Zastryzny	1	0	0	0	0	1	8	2.70
Underwood S 1	1	1	0	0	0	0	5	0.00

Boston	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Kluber L 0-2	5	3	1	1	1	2	67	6.48
Schreiber	1	3	1	1	1	2	24	3.00
Ort	1	2	2	2	0	1	29	7.20
Bleier	1	1	0	0	1	0	19	6.00
Kelly	1	0	0	0	1	0	22	1.93

HBP—by Kelly (McCutchen). **Balk**—Keller. **Umpires**—Home, Scott Barry; First, Clint Vondrak; Second, Adam Beck; Third, Dan Iassogna. **T**—2:32. **A**—24,477 (37,755).

HOW THE RUNS SCORED

FOURTH INNING

PIRATES — Santana homered to right. Hayes fouled out to first. Suwinski flied out to center. Castro grounded out, first unassisted.

SIXTH INNING

PIRATES — Reynolds doubled to left. McCutchen hit an infield single to third, Reynolds to third. Santana struck out. Hayes hit an infield single to first, Reynolds scored, McCutchen to second. Suwinski walked, McCutchen to third, Hayes to second. Castro struck out. Bae lined out to short.

SEVENTH INNING

PIRATES — Delay doubled to center. Cruz safe on failed fielder's choice, Delay to third. Reynolds hit a sacrifice fly to left, Delay scored. Cruz to second. On left fielder's throwing error, Cruz to third. McCutchen popped out to second. Santana doubled to right, Cruz scored. Hayes struck out.

RED SOX — Turner popped out to second. Yoshida grounded out, first to pitcher. Casas doubled to left. Arroyo hit an infield single to short, Casas scored. Arroyo stole second. Tapia hit an infield single to short, Arroyo to third. McGuire, pinch-hitting for Chang, struck out.

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The Red Sox defense fell short against the Pirates, with Rafael Devers dropping the ball as Oneil Cruz dove into third in the seventh (above) and Ke'Bryan Hayes beating Triston Casas to first on a bunt in the sixth.

THE MASTERS

LIV and let live: Still about the green jacket

By Doug Ferguson
ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUGUSTA, Ga. — Masters Chairman Fred Ridley sat among 33 champions in green jackets at golf's most exclusive dinner. It was a time to celebrate Scottie Scheffler as the most recent winner. To share laughs, memories, and even a few tears.

That's how it is every year at Augusta National.

"I would not have known that anything was going on in the world of professional golf other than the norm," Ridley said on the eve of a Masters unlike any other. "So I think — and I'm hopeful — that this week might get people thinking in a little bit different direction and things will change."

There's a full menu of activity at this Masters.

Tiger Woods returns for his 25th appearance with hopes his course knowledge can compensate for battered legs as he pursues another green jacket. Rory McIlroy gets another crack at the one major that keeps him from the career Grand Slam.

No one has won the Masters back-to-back since Woods in 2002, and with Scheffler the No. 1 player in the world, he has an excellent chance.

The forecast is for the weather to turn nasty on the weekend. The real storm has been brewing for the last 10 months since the launch of LIV Golf and the 18 players at the Masters who defected to the rival league for its Saudi riches.

There have been accusations that LIV Golf isn't serious competition with its 54-hole events, and even some name-calling — Fred Couples referred to Phil Mickelson as a "nut bag" — of LIV players for turning their backs on the tour that made them famous.

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Masters Chairman Fred Ridley expects LIV and PGA Tour golfers to share a focus.

"Everyone thinks we suck now, so I want to play great," Harold Varner III said, a LIV player with "Golf Saudi" on his bag. Varner joined for the money. He makes no secret about that.

All that gets set aside on Thursday when the players — professional and amateur, PGA Tour loyalists and those with LIV — have one thing in common.

"We talk about all these issues in golf, but we are here this week — these 88 players — and that's all that's on their mind is playing for that green jacket," Ridley said. "It's a great symbol of celebration of this game. And we're looking forward to seeing someone donning it on Sunday afternoon."

Normalcy is hard to find these days.

The PGA Tour and LIV Golf are involved in an antitrust lawsuit — a case management conference before a federal judge is scheduled for Friday afternoon, about the time Woods should be headed to Amen Corner.

A London-based arbitration panel reportedly will rule this week in favor of the European tour's ability to sanction LIV players.

The large oak tree next to the Augusta National clubhouse is where all the VIPs across golf gather. Missing is Greg Norman, the CEO and commissioner of LIV Golf.

Norman stoked the debate by telling The Daily Telegraph if a LIV player won the Masters, the other 17 would be waiting for him behind the 18th green to celebrate. Norman won't be there because he says he wasn't invited.

"They only sent me a grounds pass last year and nothing, zilch, this time around," he said. "I'm disappointed because it's so petty, but of course I'll still be watching."

Ridley was quick to point that Norman, typically invited as a two-time British Open champion, showed up only twice in the last 10 years, once while doing radio commentary.

"We did not extend an invitation to Mr. Norman. The primary issue and the driver there is that I want the focus this week to be on the Masters competition, on the great players that are participating, the greatest players in the world," Ridley said.

That includes LIV players. Ridley made sure of that when he announced in December that while he's not happy with the fractured environment in golf, the Masters would honor players who qualified under the criteria.

By appearance, it certainly seems normal.

The players invited to take part in formal press conferences were the usual suspects — that included British Open champion Cameron Smith, the last big name to sign with LIV — though Phil Mickelson declined. The starting times had a mixture of PGA Tour and LIV Golf players, though none of the LIV players are part of the featured groups that will be streamed live.

Brooks Koepka played a practice round Tuesday with McIlroy, who has delivered some of the sharpest digs at LIV Golf over the last year.

Koepka, a four-time major champion, last week became the first multiple winner at LIV Golf. McIlroy sent him a text to congratulate him and Koepka asked if he wanted to play a practice round.

Was it an indication of thawing relations between the rival circuits?

"I guess you could say that. It's more just two friends wanting to play together," Koepka said. "I just wanted to play with him, just compare my game. I know he's been playing well. It was good for me to see, and I think it's fun to be able to go play with these guys."

Thursday's Masters tee times

(ESPN, 3 p.m.)

8 a.m. — Mike Weir, Kevin Na; **8:12 a.m.** — Vijay Singh, Scott Stallings, a-Matthew McClean; **8:24 a.m.** — Sandy Lyle, Jason Kokrak, Talor Gooch; **8:36 a.m.** — Fred Couples, Russell Henley, Alex Noren; **8:48 a.m.** — Adrian Meronk, Kevin Kisner, Louis Oosthuizen; **9 a.m.** — Larry Mize, Min Woo Lee, a-Harrison Crowe; **9:12 a.m.** — Sergio Garcia, Kazuki Higa, Keith Mitchell; **9:24 a.m.** — Patrick Reed, Adam Svensson, Sahith Theegala; **9:36 a.m.** — Shane Lowry, Mackenzie Hughes, Thomas Pieters; **9:48 a.m.** — Bubba Watson, Seamus Power, a-Mateo Fernandez de Oliveira; **10:06 a.m.** — Abraham Ancer, Chris Kirk, Keegan Bradley; **10:18 a.m.** — Tiger Woods, Viktor Hovland, Xander Schauffele; **10:30 a.m.** — Adam Scott, Patrick Cantlay, Kurt Kitayama; **10:42 a.m.** — Justin Thomas, Jon Rahm, Cameron Young; **10:54 a.m.** — Hideki Matsuyama, Cameron Smith, Sungjae Im; **11:06 a.m.** — Jose Maria Olazabal, Cameron Champ; **11:18 a.m.** — Charl Schwartzel, Taylor Moore, a-Aldrich Potgieter; **11:30 a.m.** — J.T. Poston, Francesco Molinari, Bryson DeChambeau; **11:42 a.m.** — Bernhard Langer, Mito Pereira, a-Ben Carr; **11:54 a.m.** — Danny Willett, Gary Woodland, Brooks Koepka; **12:12 p.m.** — Sepp Straka, Harold Varner, K.H. Lee; **12:24 p.m.** — Phil Mickelson, Tom Hoge, Si Woo Kim; **12:36 p.m.** — Billy Horschel, Harris English, Ryan Fox; **12:48 p.m.** — Zach Johnson, Jason Day, a-Gordon Sargent; **1 p.m.** — Brian Harman, Joaquin Niemann, Tyrrell Hatton; **1:12 p.m.** — Dustin Johnson, Corey Conners, Justin Rose; **1:24 p.m.** — Matt Fitzpatrick, Collin Morikawa, Will Zalatoris; **1:36 p.m.** — Scottie Scheffler, Max Homa, a-Sam Bennett; **1:48 p.m.** — Tom Kim, Rory McIlroy, Sam Burns; **2 p.m.** — Jordan Spieth, Tommy Fleetwood, Tony Finau.

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MASTERS NOTEBOOK

Hoge wins Par 3 with hole-in-one

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AUGUSTA, Ga. — **Tom Hoge** aced the eighth hole over Ike's Pond on his way to winning the Par 3 Contest on Wednesday.

Hoge received a crystal vase for the hole-in-one, a crystal bowl for his winning round of 6 under, and some steep history to overcome: No winner of the Par 3 Contest, which goes back to 1960, has gone on to win the Masters.

"I made a few birdies early and then the hole-in-one on 8, so that was cool to see that go in," Hoge said after walking off the recently renovated Par 3 Course in the northeast corner of the property. "Just a fun day out here this afternoon."

Bubba Watson also had a hole-in-one and finished second at 5 under, while **Seamus Power** stole the show with back-to-back aces, joining **Claude Harman** in 1968 and **Toshi Izawa** in 2002 as the only players to accomplish the feat.

Swan Song for Mize, Lyle

Larry Mize and **Sandy Lyle** delivered two of the most memorable shots in Masters history in consecutive years.

Mize, the first champion born in Augusta, holed a 140-foot chip from right of the 11th green in the second hole of a playoff to beat **Greg Norman** in 1987, probably the one shot that haunts Norman the most. The next year, Lyle hit 7-iron from the fairway bunker on the 18th hole to 10 feet and made the birdie putt to win.

Now they are linked again. They announced this will be their final year playing the Masters.

This is Mize's 40th consecutive Masters, while Lyle was part of the "Big Five" from Europe who once seemingly ruled the event. Lyle, **Bernhard Langer**, **Seve Ballesteros**, **Ian Woosnam** and **Nick Faldo** combined to win nine times between 1980 and 1996.

Weather watch

Blue skies, puffy white clouds and warm, humid temperatures greeted players for their final practice rounds, but the forecast for the weekend calls for much different conditions around Augusta National.

The opening round Thursday will still be warm, with highs in the mid-80s, but rain is expected to move through the area on Friday.

With it comes a cold front, dropping highs into the 50s, and there is a near-100 percent chance of rain this weekend.

"I think it will be a long week," **Patrick Cantlay** said. "Usually when there's weather, the rounds drag on and it looks like there may be some delays as well. I imagine the golf course will play particularly long this year."

That also doesn't bode well for players such as **Tiger Woods**, whose bodies get a bit creaky when temperatures take a dive.

Asked whether he'd seen the forecast, Woods replied: "Oh, yeah. I've seen it."

Rolling back the ball

Masters Chairman **Fred Ridley** tipped his hand without trying to during his annual news conference Wednesday when it came to the USGA and R&A proposal for a modified local rule rolling back the golf ball.

It would mean tournaments could choose to require a different ball, and use it to curtail distance, and it's clear the US Open and British Open will go along. It's not a done deal, though, as the comment period goes through Augusta.

"Our position has always been that we support the governing bodies," Ridley said of the Masters. "I think, in a general sense, we do support the proposal, but because it's in the middle of a comment period, it could change . . . So we will look at the final product and make a decision.

"We believe distance needs to be addressed," Ridley added. "I think the natural conclusion is, yes, we will be supportive."

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS' LACROSSE NOTEBOOK

At Natick, Kittlers lead way

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For Natick coach Nate Kittler (center), his son Brady (right), and nephew Jay (left), lacrosse has always been a family affair.

For most players and families, lacrosse is an after school activity or a route to college, but for the Kittler family, it's a way of life.

Natick coach **Nate Kittler**, his son, **Brady**, and his nephew, **Jay Kittler**, are entering their last season together, but their journey didn't start at the varsity level. It started when the boys first picked up their sticks in first grade.

"Whenever I think about lacrosse, I think about [Nate and Jay], because they've been with me my entire journey," said Brady.

Those memories include travel tournaments, games, and practices that his family attended, as well as playing alongside his cousin, a close defender.

"Even when I'm not on the field, I'm always talking about lacrosse, so it's definitely a vital part of my life," said Jay. "Having [Brady] on the other side of the field is good, so I always have someone to trust. We balance each other out."

Brady and Jay have always had a friendly competitiveness, helping each other get better as players and keeping each other accountable for their play. Brady, a senior attack, and Jay, a senior long pole, play opposite roles and have often tried to match up against each other in drills and scrimmages.

When they were younger, the boys switched roles during games and practices, but always came back to the same conclusion, Brady was best at attack and Jay was best at defense.

As it happens, both boys ended up playing the same positions as their fathers. Brady's father, **Nate**, starred on the attacking line at St. Sebastian's ('90) and Curry ('94). And Jay's father, **Jamie**, played defense at St. Sebastian's ('87) before playing one year at Babson ('91). Brady wears his father's college number (17) and Jay wears Jamie's college number (19) for Natick.

Now, Jamie is the program director for Natick Youth Lacrosse and Nate has been head coach at Natick since the program's inception 24 years ago. When his son and nephew entered the youth program 11 years ago, Nate jumped in.

"Our families are super close, Jay is more like a son than he is a nephew," said Nate. "Ever since they were born, I was hoping they would play lacrosse."

Nate has been coaching the boys with his brother since they started in youth lacrosse. While they hoped both boys would pursue lacrosse like their fathers had, the option to play other sports was always open for Brady and Jay growing up.

"When they both hit high school, they both made that decision that lacrosse was going to be their sport," said Nate.

This is the first class that Nate has coached from youth all the way to the varsity level, which he says makes it a special year. He has high hopes for his team and what he believes they can achieve.

"I do think there is a little bit of extra passion in it," said Nate. "I'd like to see my son and nephew go out on a positive note if this is the last time they play."

"I'm definitely nervous about what's to come," said Brady, "but I'm also super excited for the upcoming season and to have one last year with both of them. It just means a lot to me."

With Natick securing a 14-3 win over Wayland in the season opener Tuesday, the season is looking bright for the Kittler family and the Redhawks. Brady had a goal and four assists and Jay forced three turnovers.

While there is plenty of lacrosse left to be played this spring, Jay expects the ending to be bittersweet.

"It's kind of sad to think about," said Jay. "All 18 years, [Nate] has been there for us as a coach and a mentor, so for that to come to an end it's a little bit sad... but I think we'll have a great year this year and we'll end it off and it'll be fun."

Quick sticks

■ After a successful run as the girls' coach at Billerica, **Ashley Martell** was thinking of stepping away from the game this year. But the Bedford physical education teacher stepped up when boys' lacrosse coach **Alan Chang** went on medical leave a few weeks before the season, taking over as head coach of the program.

Last Friday, Martell steered Bedford to a 12-2 victory over Nipmuc in the Buccaneers' season-opener, becoming the first female coach to win a boys' lacrosse game in the Dual County League, and perhaps in Eastern Mass. history.

"After the first day of tryouts I was all in," said Martell, a former Billerica and Springfield College standout. "Once I stepped into the role I was surprised how receptive the kids were to me coaching. At first, I was nervous because it's uncharacteristic to have a woman coach men's lacrosse, but after Day One, I think they were all on board."

In the win over Nipmuc, senior captain **Ian Grove** spearheaded the Bedford defense and **Richie Fedele** tallied a team-high 6 points (three goals, three assists). Seniors **Eric Miles** and **Nick Tatarczuk** and sophomore **Jackson Malio** also played key roles.

■ Lynnfield junior **Jack Calichman** tallied a program-record 10 assists in a 17-3 nonleague win at Gloucester Tuesday . . . Abington junior **Hunter Grafton** had 12 points (eight goals, four assists) in a 17-12 win at Weymouth Monday, then his freshman brother, **Matt**, scored seven goals in a 16-8 win at Rockland Tuesday . . . Two-time defending D1 state champion St. John's Prep opened with a 15-7 win at Xaverian Tuesday with **Luke Kelly** (four goals, one assist) leading the way . . . Cohasset beat defending D3 state champ Norwell, 9-8, in a thriller Tuesday.

Correspondent Nate Weitzer contributed to this story.

SportsLog

LSU's Reese engages first lady in retort

First lady **Jill Biden's** walk-back of her suggestion that runner-up Iowa should join NCAA women's basketball champion LSU for a visit to the White House didn't sit well with Tigers star **Angel Reese**. Reese said on a podcast the Tigers should celebrate their title with former President **Barack Obama** and former first lady **Michelle Obama** instead. Dr. Biden, at an appearance in Denver on Monday, had praised Iowa's sportsmanship and congratulated both teams. She also said that as part of the longstanding tradition of having champions visit the White House, Iowa should come as well "because they played such a good game." Joe Biden invited LSU and men's champion UConn to the White House on Tuesday with no mention of Iowa.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

UConn lowest-rated ever

UConn's 76-59 victory over San Diego State in the men's national championship game ended up being the lowest-viewed final on record, averaging just 14.69 million viewers on CBS. The previous low was 15.99 in 2018, when Villanova beat Michigan on TBS. Still, Monday's game was the most-watched program on television that evening and the most-watched basketball game — college or pro — since last year's national championship game . . . **Bill Self** said he's doing well after a health scare kept him from coaching Kansas in the Big 12 and NCAA tournaments last month, and reiterated he has no plans to step away from the Jayhawks any time soon. Self, 60, had two stents placed to help treat blocked arteries.

FOOTBALL

Ravens stick to draft plans

Baltimore general manager **Eric DeCosta** said **Lamar Jackson's** situation isn't causing the Ravens to look at quarterbacks differently in the upcoming NFL draft, although he did say the team could conceivably take one in the first round. "It just depends on the board," DeCosta said when asked if taking a quarterback in the first round is a consideration. "I guess I'd have to say yes because we have quarterbacks in our top 31. So just based on that alone, simple math, I would have to say yes." The Ravens have the 22nd pick in the first round. DeCosta wouldn't comment on the ramifications of Jackson's recent announcement he had requested a trade.

HOCKEY

US women open with win

Alex Carpenter scored twice and the United States women's hockey team beat Japan, 7-1, in Brampton, Ontario, to open group play in the women's world hockey championship. Northeastern alum **Aerin Frankel** made 12 saves for the Americans in her first start in the event. The US will face Switzerland on Friday.

MISCELLANY

Transgender ban in Kansas

Kansas is banning transgender athletes from girls' and women's sports from kindergarten through college, its legislature overriding Gov. **Laura Kelly's** third veto in three years of such a bill. The Kansas law takes effect July 1, and would prevent transgender people from using public restrooms, locker rooms, and other facilities associated with their gender identities, and bars them from changing their name or gender on their driver's licenses. Nineteen other states have imposed similar restrictions . . . A Dutch Cup semifinal soccer match between Feyenoord and Ajax was briefly paused after an object thrown from the crowd struck the head of Ajax midfielder **Davy Klaassen**. Blood poured from the top of Klaassen's head after the incident, which happened early in the second half, and both sets of players walked off the field. Dutch police said on Twitter that they arrested a 32-year-old male suspect . . . Top-seeded **Jessica Pegula** and past champion **Madison Keys** easily won second-round matches at the Charleston Open in South Carolina, the women's tennis season's opening clay-court tournament. Pegula, the American ranked third in the world, needed less than 65 minutes to beat **Anna Blinkova** of Russia, 6-2, 6-0. Keys, an American who took this title in 2019, worked a couple of minutes more (69) to oust countrywoman **Hailey Baptiste**, 6-1, 6-2.

Scoreboard

Globe Top 20

No.		Rec.	Last
1.	St. John's Prep	1-0	1
2.	BC High	1-0	2
3.	Hingham	1-0	3
4.	Acton-Boxborough	1-0	4
5.	Lincoln-Sudbury	2-0	5
6.	Franklin	1-0	6
7.	Duxbury	1-0	8
8.	Reading	1-0	12
9.	Medfield	0-0	9
10.	Xaverian	0-1	7
11.	Billerica	1-1	10
12.	North Andover	1-0	15
13.	Needham	0-1	11
14.	Dover-Sherborn	2-0	-
15.	Natick	1-0	-
16.	Lexington	1-0	-
17.	Cohasset	1-0	20
18.	Nauset	1-0	18
19.	Norwell	0-1	13
20.	Scituate	1-0	-

	THU 4/6	FRI 4/7	SAT 4/8	SUN 4/9	MON 4/10	TUE 4/11	WED 4/12
Red Sox	DET 1:10 NESN		DET 4:10 NESN	DET 1:10 NESN	TB 6:40 NESN	TB 6:40 NESN+	TB 6:40 NESN
Bruins	TOR 7:00 NESN		NJ 8:00 ABC	PHI 6:00 TNT		WAS 7:00 NESN	
Celtics		TOR 7:30 NBCSB		ATL 1:00 NBCSB			
Revolution			MTL 7:30 AppleTV*				

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Radio: Red Sox, WEEI-FM 93.7; Bruins, Celtics, and Revolution, WBZ-FM 98.5. *WBZ-FM 98.5-HD2.

ON THE AIR

BASEBALL

1:10 p.m.	Boston at Detroit	NESN
1:10 p.m.	TBD	MLB
4:10 p.m.	Washington at Colorado	MLB
7:20 p.m.	San Diego at Atlanta	MLB
10:10 p.m.	LA Dodgers at Arizona	MLB

COLLEGE BASEBALL

8 p.m.	Florida at Tennessee	ESPNU
11 p.m.	San Diego at Gonzaga	ESPNU

PRO BASKETBALL

7:30 p.m.	Miami at Philadelphia	TNT
10 p.m.	Denver at Phoenix	TNT

GOLF

3 p.m.	The Masters	ESPN

PRO HOCKEY

7 p.m.	Toronto at Boston	NESN
8 p.m.	Carolina at Nashville	Hulu
10:30 p.m.	Arizona at Seattle	Hulu

MEN'S COLLEGE HOCKEY

5 p.m.	Frozen Four: BU vs. Minnesota	ESPN2
8:30 p.m.	Frozen Four: Quinnipiac vs. Michigan	ESPN2

(Schedule subject to change)

Latest line

NBA
Thursday

Favorite	Pts.	Underdog
Cleveland	4	at Orlando
At Philadelphia	5	Miami
At San Antonio	NL	Portland
At Utah	NL	Oklahoma City
At Phoenix	NL	Denver

NHL

Favorite	Line	Underdog	Line
Buffalo	-115	at Detroit	-105
At New Jersey	-420	Columbus	+320
At Pittsburgh	-130	Minnesota	+110
At Florida	-255	Ottawa	+205
At Boston	-150	Toronto	+130
Washington	-165	at Montreal	+140
At Islanders	-115	Tampa Bay	-105
Carolina	-170	at Nashville	+145
NY Rangers	-170	at St. Louis	+145
At Dallas	-270	Philadelphia	+220
At Vancouver	-220	Chicago	+180
At Vegas	-130	Los Angeles	+110
At Seattle	-370	Arizona	+295
Colorado	-235	at San Jose	+190

Transactions

BASEBALL

Atlanta: P Kyle Wright sent to minors for rehabilitation.
Baltimore: P Grayson Rodriguez called up from minors. P Kyle Bradish placed on 15-day IL.
Chi. White Sox: 3B Jake Burger called up from minors. LF Eloy Jiménez placed on 10-day IL.
Cincinnati: P Joel Kuhnel sent to minors. P Bennett Sousa designated for assignment. P Kevin Herget purchased from minors.
Kansas City: 1B Nick Pratto called up from minors. RF Kyle Isbel placed on paternity leave list.
NY Yankees: P Tyler Danish, 3B Kaleb Cowart released.
Oakland: P Spencer Patton signed to a minor league contract.
Toronto: RF Jordan Luplow sent to minors. RF Jordan Luplow acquired off waivers. P Hyun Jin Ryu transferred to 60-day IL.

NBA

Portland: Small Fo Justin Minaya signed to 10-day contract.

NFL

Cincinnati: DE Tarell Bashm signed FA.
Detroit: WR Marvin Jones Jr. signed FA.
Jacksonville: G Chandler Brewer signed FA.
New England: T Yodny Cajuste re-signed FA.

NHL

Columbus: G Jon Gillies called up from minors.

Premier League

	GP	W	D	L	Pts.
Arsenal	29	23	3	3	72
Manchester City	28	20	4	4	64
Newcastle	28	14	11	3	53
Man. United	28	16	5	7	53
Tottenham	29	15	5	9	50
Brighton	27	13	7	7	46
Aston Villa	29	13	5	11	44
Liverpool	28	12	7	9	43
Brentford	29	10	13	6	43
Fulham	28	11	6	11	39
Chelsea	29	10	9	10	39
Crystal Palace	29	7	9	13	30
Leeds United	29	7	8	14	29
Wolverhampton	29	7	7	15	28
West Ham	28	7	6	15	27
Everton	29	6	9	14	27
Nottingham Frest	29	6	9	14	27
AFC Bournmouth	29	7	6	16	27
Leicester City	29	7	4	18	25
Southampton	29	6	5	18	23

Wednesday Results

At Man. United 1, Brentford 0
Newcastle 5, at West Ham 1

MLS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	D	L	Pts.
FC Cincinnati	6	4	2	0	14
Atlanta United	6	4	1	1	13
NE Revolution	6	4	1	1	13
Columbus Crew	6	3	1	2	10
Nashville SC	6	3	1	2	10
NYCFC	6	2	2	2	8
Orlando	6	2	2	2	8
Philadlphia Union	6	2	1	3	7
Toronto FC	6	1	4	1	7
Inter Miami CF	6	2	0	4	6
Chicago Fire FC	5	1	3	1	6
NY Red Bulls	6	1	3	2	6
D.C. United	6	1	2	3	5
Charlotte FC	6	1	2	3	5
CF Montreal	5	1	0	4	3

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	D	L	Pts.
St. Louis City SC	6	5	0	1	15
Seattle Sounders	6	4	1	1	13
LAFC	5	3	2	0	11
Minnesota United	5	3	2	0	11
SJ Earthquakes	6	3	1	2	10
FC Dallas	6	2	2	2	8
Austin FC	5	2	1	2	7
Houston Dynamo	5	2	0	3	6
Van. Whitecaps	6	1	3	2	6
Portland Timbers	6	1	2	3	5
Real Salt Lake	5	1	0	4	3
LA Galaxy	5	0	3	2	3
Sporting KC	6	0	3	3	3
Colorado Rapids	6	0	3	3	3

Tennis

CHARLESTON OPEN

At Family Circle Tennis Center
Charleston (S.C.)
Women's Singles
Round of 32

Daria Kasatkina (3), Russia, def. Madison Brengle, United States, 6-2, 6-1.
Julia Grabher, Austria, def. Sachia Vickery, United States, 6-1, 6-2.
Diana Shnaider, Russia, def. Veronika Kudermetova (5), Russia, 6-4, 6-3.
Paula Badosa (12), Spain, def. Leylah Annie Fernandez, Canada, 7-5, 7-6 (6).
Ekaterina Alexandrova (7), Russia, def. Yulia Putintseva, Kazakhstan, 6-1, 6-3.
Bernarda Pera, United States, def. Cristina Bucsa, Spain, 6-3, 6-4.
Madison Keys (9), United States, def. Hailey Baptiste, United States, 6-1, 6-2.
Caroline Dolehide, United States, def. Linda Fruhvirtova, Czech Republic, 6-2, 5-7, 6-3.
Jessica Pegula (1), United States, def. Anna Blinkova, Russia, 6-2, 6-0.
Irina-Camelia Begu (15), Romania, def. Sofia Kenin, United States, 6-1, 6-4.

Women's Doubles
Round of 16

Vera Zvonareva, Russia, and Laura Siegemund, Germany, def. Miyu Kato, Japan, and Marie Bouzkova, Czech Republic, 2-6, 6-0, 10-7.
Nicole Melichar-Martinez and Alycia Parks (4), United States, def. Alicia Barnett and Olivia Nicholls, Britain, 5-7, 7-6 (8), 10-8.
Danielle Collins and Desirae Krawczyk, United States, def. Anna Danilina, Kazakhstan, and Cristina Bucsa, Spain, 6-1, 4-6, 10-8.
Taylor Townsend, United States, and Leylah Annie Fernandez, Canada, def. Katarzyna Kawa and Alicja Rosolska, Poland, 6-4, 6-3.

GP HASSAN II

At Royal Tennis Club de Marrakech
Marrakech, Morocco
Men's Doubles
Round of 16

Albano Olivetti, France, and Maxime Cressy (5), United States, def. Hendrik Jebens, Germany, and Petros Tsitsipas, Greece, 6-3, 7-6 (5).

Schools

BASEBALL

BAY STATE
Braintree 4, Needham 3
Milton 14, Weymouth 3
BOSTON CITY
New Mission 17, TechBoston 4
CAPE & ISLANDS
Dennis-Yarmouth 7, Monomoy 2
CATHOLIC CENTRAL
Arlington Cath. 11, Saint Joseph Prep 2
GREATER BOSTON
Everett 16, Chelsea 3
Lynn English 10, Revere 9
Malden 4, Somerville 3
HOCKOMOCK
Canton 10, Sharon 6
Foxboro 9, Mansfield 3
Franklin 11, King Philip 0
Milford 4, Attleboro 1
Taunton 2, North Attleboro 1
MAYFLOWER
Southeastern 2, Blue Hills 0
MID-WACH
Oakmont 5, Tyngsboro 1
MIDDLESEX
Arlington 4, Wakefield 1
Burlington 6, Reading 1
Lexington 11, Watertown 8
Melrose 3, Belmont 1
Winchester 2, Wilmington 0
Woburn 9, Stoneham 1
NORTHEASTERN
Beverly 7, Gloucester 3
Danvers 17, Marblehead 8
Salem 6, Swampscott 1
SOUTH COAST
Fairhaven 8, Bourne 5
Gr. New Bedford 1, Apponequet 0
Old Rochester 14, Wareham 2
Somerset Berkley 2, Digh.-Rehoboth 0
SOUTH SHORE
Cohasset 6, Carver 5
E. Bridgewater 9, Abington 4
NONLEAGUE
Billerica 9, Concord-Carlisle 3
Boston Latin 3, Latin Acad. 0
Bridge.-Raynham 15, Plymouth South 4
BB&N 7, Cushing 1
Marshfield 2, Sandwich 1
Middleboro 5, Falmouth 3
Norwell 12, O'Bryant 0
Phillips Andover 7, St. Sebastian's 5
Plymouth North 3, Xaverian 2
Pope Francis 12, Northampton 1
Saugus 7, Northeast 1

GOLF

GIRLS
BAY STATE
Walpole 4½, Needham 3½
NONLEAGUE
Bp. Feehan 6, Weymouth 0
Braintree 4, Quincy 2

LACROSSE

BOYS
CAPE ANN
Ipswich 12, Amesbury 3
Lynnfield 17, N. Reading 4
CATHOLIC CENTRAL
Arlington Cath. 8, Bp. Fenwick 7
Bp. Feehan 13, Abp. Williams 4
Bp. Stang 11, Card. Spellman 10
Matignon 9, St. Mary's 2
DUAL COUNTY
Boston Latin 8, Waltham 7
MAYFLOWER
Blue Hills 14, Cape Cod Tech 0
MERRIMACK VALLEY
Billerica 13, Methuen 2
PATRIOT
Duxbury 15, Marshfield 5
Hanover 13, Plymouth North 2
Plymouth South 14, Pembroke 1
SOUTH COAST
Apponequet 14, Fairhaven 8
Digh.-Rehoboth 9, Bourne 6
NONLEAGUE
Belmont Hill 6, Avon Old Farms 5
Middlesex 11, Phillips Andover 10
Minuteman 9, Nashoba Tech 6
Nobles 9, Brewster 8
Roxbury Latin 17, Austin Prep 6
GIRLS
Austin Prep 15, Winchendon 4
CAPE ANN
Ipswich 12, Georgetown 3
Lynnfield 13, N. Reading 11
Newburyport 22, Triton 3
CATHOLIC CENTRAL
Bp. Feehan 14, Abp. Williams 6
Bp. Fenwick 15, Arlington Cath. 6
Bp. Stang 6, Card. Spellman 4
St. Mary's 14, Saint Joseph Prep 10
COMMONWEALTH
Shawsheen 14, Gr. Lowell 7
DUAL COUNTY
Boston Latin 13, Waltham 6
MAYFLOWER
Upper Cape 7, Tri-County 6
MERRIMACK VALLEY
Billerica 7, Methuen 1
PATRIOT
Duxbury 16, Marshfield 1
SOUTH COAST
Digh.-Rehoboth 14, Bourne 13
NONLEAGUE
Acton-Boxboro 13, Ashland 6
Brooks 14, Pingree 11
Manchester 9, Masconomet 8
Norwood 20, Sharon 14
Notre Dame (H) 17, Gloucester 0
Notre Dame (W) 13, Worcester 4
Watertown 17, Arlington 6

RUGBY

BOYS
COMMONWEALTH RUGBY CONFERENCE
Chelmsford 64, Needham 0
NONLEAGUE
Xaverian 29, Milton 3

SOFTBALL

Agawam 13, Frontier 4
Austin Prep 11, Dexter Southfield 2
Hampshire 4, Greenfield 1
Monson 7, Lenox 1
Mt. Greylock 12, Lee 2
Northampton 10, Belchertown 4
S. Hadley 7, Chicopee Comp. 2
Westfield 13, W. Springfield 1
BAY STATE
Braintree 5, Needham 4
Wellesley 18, Brookline 3
CAPE & ISLANDS
Nauset 12, St. John Paul II 0
CAPE ANN
Amesbury 18, Georgetown 3
Triton 7, Pentucket 2
CATHOLIC CENTRAL
Bp. Feehan 4, Abp. Williams 1
GREATER BOSTON
Everett 17, Chelsea 0
Lynn English 32, Revere 20
HOCKOMOCK
Canton 18, Sharon 1
Foxboro 10, Mansfield 6
King Philip 16, Franklin 4
Stoughton 6, Oliver Ames 4
Taunton 2, North Attleboro 1
MID-WACH
Tahanto 10, Narragansett 5
Tyngsboro 3, Oakmont 1
W. Boylston 16, Murdock 2
MIDDLESEX
Arlington 6, Wakefield 4
Burlington 5, Reading 4
Lexington 15, Watertown 3
Melrose 17, Belmont 16
Wilmington 14, Winchester 10
NORTHEASTERN
Beverly 12, Peabody 1
Gloucester 4, Masconomet 3
Salem 4, Marblehead 3
Swampscott 12, Winthrop 11
SOUTH COAST
Apponequet 14, Gr. New Bedford 9
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Auburn 21, Southbridge 2
Grafton 16, Leicester 2
Uxbridge 10, Tantasqua 1

Schools

NONLEAGUE
Boston Collegiate 20, Mt. Alvernia 7
Boston Int'l. 18, Neighbor House Chr. 3
Brooks 8, Worcester Acad. 7
Concord-Carlisle 15, Shawsheen 2
Cristo Rey 16, English High 10
Fontbonne 11, O'Bryant 2
Hopedale 18, Assabet 4
Littleton 14, Groton-Dunstable 2
Manchester 17, Rockport 5
Marshfield 18, Sandwich 0
Milton Acad. 9, Portsmouth Abbey 2
Nobles 9, St. Paul's 6
Pingree 13, Governor's 7
St. Bernard's 11, Algonquin 1
St. Paul 6, Nipmuc 5
Tilton 5, Phillips Exeter 1
Wachusett 11, N. Middlesex 0

TENNIS

BOYS
CAPE & ISLANDS
St. John Paul II 5, Cape Cod Acad. 0
CAPE ANN
Manchester 5, Ipswich 0
N. Reading 4, Pentucket 1
CATHOLIC CENTRAL
Bp. Feehan 5, Arlington Cath. 0
GREATER BOSTON
Lynn English 5, Revere 0
HOCKOMOCK
Oliver Ames 5, Stoughton 0
Sharon 4, Canton 1
INTER-HIGH
Worcester South 5, Doherty 0
SWCL
Grafton 5, Leicester 0
Uxbridge 3, Tantasqua 2
NONLEAGUE
Arlington 3, Wilmington 2
Bedford 3, Shrewsbury 2
Brewster 6, Berwick 0
Bromfield 3, Shepherd Hill 2
Duxbury 3, Westboro 2
Melrose 5, Reading 0
N. Quincy 4, Rockland/EB 1
St. John's (S) 3, Algonquin 2
Weymouth 5, Quincy 0
Winchester 5, Stoneham 0
GIRLS
CAPE & ISLANDS
St. John Paul II 3, Cape Cod Acad. 2
CAPE ANN
Amesbury 4, Rockport 1
Manchester 5, Ipswich 0
Triton 3, Pentucket 2
DUAL VALLEY
Hopedale 3, Whit. Christian 2
GREATER BOSTON
Somerville 5, Everett 0
HOCKOMOCK
Foxboro 4, Mansfield 1
Oliver Ames 5, Stoughton 0
Sharon 5, Canton 0
INTER-HIGH
Worcester North 5, Burncoat 0
Worcester South 4, Doherty 1
MAYFLOWER
Westport 5, Bp. Connolly 0
MID-WACH
Groton-Dunstable 5, Marlborough 0
NORTHEASTERN
Gloucester 3, Saugus 2
NONLEAGUE
Austin Prep 8, Governor's 1
Bp. Stang 4, Old Rochester 1
Blackstone-Millville 4, Bartlett 1
Cambridge 5, Salem 0
Nashoba 3, Leominster 2
Notre Dame (W) 3, Adv. Math & Sci. 2
Phillips Exeter 5, Brooks 4
Quincy 3, Weymouth 2
Reading 4, Melrose 1
Shrewsbury 3, Bedford 2

TRACK

BOYS
BAY STATE
Needham 89, Braintree 47
Walpole 74, Weymouth 62
CATHOLIC CONFERENCE
Cath. Memorial 77, Xaverian 58
DUAL COUNTY
Westford 89, Concord-Carlisle 56
MID-WACH
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GIRLS
BAY STATE
Needham 94, Braintree 42
Walpole 69, Weymouth 67
Wellesley 92, Milton 44
DUAL COUNTY
Westford 112, Concord-Carlisle 33
NORTHEASTERN
Masconomet 90, Danvers 46

VOLLEYBALL

BOYS
COMMONWEALTH
Gr. Lowell 3, Gr. Lawrence 0
KIPP Academy 3, Innovation Acad. 0
Lowell Cath. 3, Essex Tech 0
Whittier 3, Lynn Tech 0
DUAL COUNTY
Acton-Boxboro 3, Wayland 1
GREATER BOSTON
Chelsea 3, Everett 2
Malden 3, Somerville 1
Revere 3, Lynn English 0
MERRIMACK VALLEY
Chelmsford 3, Methuen 2
SOUTH ALLIANCE
Gr. New Bedford 3, Barnstable 1
N. Quincy 3, Durfee 1
N. Quincy 3, Durfee 1
Quincy 3, Brockton 1
TRI-VALLEY
Millis 3, Norwood 0
NONLEAGUE
BC High 3, New Bedford 0
Madison Park 3, Excel Academy 1
N. Andover 3, Westford 2
O'Bryant 3, Boston Latin 0
St. John's (S) 3, Algonquin 0
Taunton 3, King Philip 1
Waltham 3, Latin Acad. 0
Xaverian 3, Norton 0

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College

Semifinals, Tampa
Thursday, April 6th
Minnesota vs Boston University, 5:00
Michigan vs Quinnipiac, 8:30

Final, Tampa
Saturday, April 8th
Winner Game 1 vs Winner Gme 2, 8:00

Hockey

AHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

	W	L	OL	SO	Pt	GF	GA
Hershey	41	16	5	4	91	198	164
Providence	40	16	8	2	90	198	181
Springfield	36	23	2	5	79	211	191
Charlotte	35	23	5	3	78	212	201
Lehigh Valley	35	26	3	3	76	202	204
Hartford	31	25	4	7	73	210	208
Bridgeport	31	27	7	1	70	216	221
WB/Scranton	25	28	7	6	63	178	201

North Division

	W	L	OL	SO	Pt	GF	GA
Toronto	41	21	3	2	87	216	203
Syracuse	33	24	5	4	75	231	216
Rochester	33	25	5	3	74	215	215
Utica	32	25	6	4	74	198	206
Laval	29	28	7	3	68	235	233
Cleveland	29	29	5	2	65	205	237
Belleville	28	30	6	3	65	214	243

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Central Division

	W	L	OL	SO	Pt	GF	GA
Texas	36	18	9	3	84	241	188
Milwaukee	39	22	3	2	83	218	191
Manitoba	34	23	5	4	77	206	205
Iowa	32	25	5	5	74	200	198
Rockford	31	26	5	4	71	196	217
Chicago	30	28	4	3	67	198	221
Grand Rapids	27	32	4	4	62	185	242

Pacific Division

	W	L	OL	SO	Pt	GF	GA
Calgary	47	15	3	1	98	242	161
Coachella	45	14	4	2	96	243	175
Colorado	36	21	7	3	82	195	179
Abbotsford	37	23	3	4	81	216	194
Ontario	33	29	4	1	71	196	194
Bakersfield	33	29	2	2	70	194	202
Tucson	30	30	7	0	67	203	220
San Jose	28	33	1	4	61	185	229
Henderson	24	37	0	5	53	178	205
San Diego	20	44	2	1	43	171	261

NOTE: Two points awarded for win, one point for OT or shootout loss. Top four teams in each division advance to playoffs.

Wednesday's Results
Hartford 2, Toronto 1
Charlotte 5, WB/Scranton 0
Cleveland 1, Belleville 0
Providence 3, Hershey 1
Syracuse 3, Rochester 2
Chicago 6, Milwaukee 5
Colorado at Bakersfield, 9:30 p.m.
Calgary at Coachella Valley, 10 p.m.
San Jose at San Diego, 10 p.m.
Tucson at Henderson, 10 p.m.

Thursday's Games
Grand Rapids at Manitoba, 8 p.m.

Friday's Games
Bridgeport at Hartford, 7 p.m.
Cleveland at Laval, 7 p.m.
Grand Rapids at Manitoba, 7 p.m.
Rochester at Syracuse, 7 p.m.
Toronto at Utica, 7 p.m.
Charlotte at Lehigh Valley, 7:05 p.m.
Hershey at Springfield, 7:05 p.m.
WB/Scranton at Providence, 7:05 p.m.
Chicago at Iowa, 8 p.m.
Rockford at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.
Rockford at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.
Texas at Tucson, 9 p.m.
Bakersfield at Henderson, 10 p.m.
Calgary at San Diego, 10 p.m.

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Wednesday's Results
Wichita 3, Tulsa 1
Maine 4, Worcester 2
Florida 4, Jacksonville 2
Savannah 6, Allen 5
Utah at Idaho, 9:10 p.m.

Thursday's Games
South Carolina at Greenville, 7:05 p.m.

International League

EAST

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Lehigh Valley	3	0	1.000	0.0
Charlotte	3	1	.750	0.5
Norfolk	3	1	.750	0.5
Buffalo	2	1	.667	1.0
Worcester	2	1	.667	1.0
Jacksonville	2	2	.500	1.5
Syracuse	2	2	.500	1.5
Durham	1	3	.250	2.5
Scranton/W.-Barre	1	3	.250	2.5
Rochester	0	3	.000	3.0

WEST

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Iowa	3	0	1.000	0.0
Omaha	3	1	.750	0.5
St. Paul	2	1	.667	1.0
Gwinnett	2	2	.500	1.5
Louisville	2	2	.500	1.5
Memphis	2	2	.500	1.5
Nashville	2	2	.500	1.5
Toledo	2	2	.500	1.5
Columbus	0	4	.000	3.5
Indianapolis	0	4	.000	3.5

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ALLEN, Carole A.

Of Natick, passed away on April 1, 2023. Beloved wife of Hugh Allen. Devoted mother of Sherry Torti and her husband, Matthew of Wayland, Stacey Grillo and her husband, Victor of Framingham. Loving grandmother of Christian and Kimberly Torti and Alexandra and Hunter Grillo. Sister of the late Marilyn Scott. Funeral Service in the John Everett & Sons Funeral Home, 4 Park Street, NATICK COMMON, on Friday, April 7, at 2pm. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. Interment Dell Park Cemetery Natick. Visiting Hours on Thursday, April 6, from 4-7pm in the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Carole may be made to Alzheimer's Association of MA, 309 Waverley Oaks Road, Waltham, MA 02452. For directions and guestbook, please visit www.everettfuneral.com

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CROSBIE , Ethyn Ann

Of Wellesley, passed away on April 4, 2023. Born in Rockford, IL, on December 18, 1930, to George and Ethelyn (Spath) Dohm, Ann grew up with five siblings and graduated from Marquette University, majoring in Sociology. Not content to settle back in her hometown, Ann joined the U.S. State Department and was assigned to work in the American Embassy in Havana, Cuba. There she met her husband, Ronald Locke Crosbie (1927-2004), and married in 1956. They made their home in Santiago until the Cuban Revolution uprooted them in 1960. They then lived in Brazil, Argentina, England, Florida, and settled in Sherborn, MA. They raised four daughters, Catherine (John Lentz), Caroline (Jaime Benavente), Marilyn (Joseph Basile), and Allison (Mark Careaga). Ann and Ron traveled the world with their girls in tow. Stateside, they loved to hit the road, whether it was lunch in Maine or a road trip to the Carolinas to visit friends. Ann loved to spoil her three granddaughters, grandson, and great-grandson. She is also survived by her sister, Helen Kay; and brother, Patrick as well as many nieces and nephews. As a friend of Ann's, you were assured of a lot of laughs, a shoulder to lean on, and the best Manhattans you'll ever have.

Visitation at the George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, 477 Washington St., WELLESLEY, on Monday, April 10, from 4-7pm. Funeral from the funeral home on Tuesday, April 11, at 9:30am followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Theresa Church, Sherborn, at 10:30am. Relatives and friends kindly invited. Interment in Pine Hill Cemetery, Sherborn. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Heart Association, P.O. Box 417005, Boston, MA 02241.

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DIGERONIMO, Jerry

Of Dennisport, MA, formerly of Natick, MA, passed away on Monday, April 3, 2023. He was the husband of the late Lydia (Bisani) DiGeronimo.

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EARLS, John

Of Tucson, AZ, formerly of Milton, MA, passed away on March 25, 2023, surrounded by family in Tucson, AZ, at the age of 94. Born June 19th, 1928, in County Galway, Ireland. Beloved husband of 66 years to the late Theresa (Morrissey) Earls. Father of Jack A. Earls, Noel F. Earls, Brian P. Earls and his wife, Shauna, and Eileen M. Bernard and her husband, Simon. He was also predeceased by his son, Michael G. Earls. Brother of Vincent Earls of Galway, Ireland, and of the late Thomas, Michael Joseph, Margaret, Julia, Patrick, Kitty, Mary, Norah, and Bridie. He is also survived by five grandchildren, Mackenzie G. Earls, Michael D. Earls, Luke M. Earls, Cayden M. Bernard, and Jacqueline C. Bernard. John was a lifelong employee of TWA, a hardworking father, a beloved grandfather, and a devout parishioner of St. Agatha's Catholic Church. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him. A Visiting Hour will be held at the Dolan Funeral Home, 460 Granite Ave., EAST MILTON SQUARE, on Friday, April 14th, 9-10 AM with a Mass of Christian Burial to follow at 10:30 AM at Saint Agatha Church, Adams St. at Brook Rd., Milton. Relatives and friends invited. Interment Milton Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, a memorial donation may be made to Peppi's House at TMC, Tucson, AZ at https://www.tmcaz.com/medical-programs/hospice/donate-to-tmc-hospice. To send the Earls family a condolence message, please visit www.dolanfuneral.com

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EVANGELISTA, Connie L. (Battaglia)

Of Medford, April 1st. Beloved wife of the late Raphael C. Evangelista, Jr. Devoted mother of Frances Chotkowski and her husband, Paul of Mansfield, David Evangelista of Medford, and the late Ralphy Evangelista. Loving grandmother of Captain Andrew Chotkowski, U.S. Army, and James Chotkowski. Dear sister of Lucille Fallavollita of Westwood and her late husband, Robert, the late Gaetano Battaglia, the late Josephine Condelli and her late husband, Joseph, the late Helen Gallagher and her late husband, Jack, the late Frances Papazian and her late husband, Allen, and the late Jean DiNunzio. Survived by many loving nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. A Funeral will be held from the Dello Russo Funeral Home, 306 Main St., MEDFORD, on Saturday, April 15th at 10:30 AM followed by a Mass of Christian Burial celebrated in St. Joseph Church, 118 High St., Medford, at 11:30 AM. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend and may visit with family on Friday, 4-8 PM. Services will conclude with burial at Oak Grove Cemetery, Medford. As an expression of sympathy, contributions may be sent in Connie's name to a charity of one's choice. To leave a message of condolence, please visit www.dellorusso.net

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GLATTLY, Joanna Carol (Rosser)

Of Norfolk, MA, entered into rest on April 1, 2023, at the age of 82.

Adored daughter of the late James Abbott Rosser and Concetta Lucy Rosser (Rigione) of Revere. Beloved wife of 40 years to the late Charles J. Glattly. Loving partner to Philip Mason of 13 years. Devoted mother of JoAnn Masterson and her husband, Peter and Dianna Konosky and her husband, Michael. Adoring Nonna of Shelby Konosky. Warmhearted sister of Sabina Rataj and her husband, Walter and the late William Rosser, III. Doting aunt of James Rataj, Christian Rataj, George Duffy, William Rosser V. and Thomas Rosser. Dear cousin of Joan Nolan, Ann and Courtney Lloyd; and their children, Courtney Lloyd and Christine Travaglini. She also adored the pets in her life, Gino, Hazel, Nemo, Hucky, and Alice.

Joanna was born in Chelsea, MA, on March 29, 1941, grew up in Revere and graduated from Revere High School in 1959. She attended the Peter Bent Brigham School of Nursing and graduated as a Registered Nurse in 1962.

She worked at the Soldier's Home and then Grover Manor Hospital in Revere until she moved with her family to Randolph in 1976. Soon after moving, she worked at New England Sinai Hospital and Rehabilitation Center in Stoughton, which became her work home for more than 30 years as an RN and then as the Infection Control and Employee Health Coordinator until her retirement in 2007.

When Joanna retired, she moved to Norfolk, MA, to be closer to her family and to lay her roots for the remainder of her time. She was a loving, funny, thoughtful, and generous daughter, sister, mother, partner, Nonna, friend, neighbor, and colleague. She was proud of the work she did as a nurse and was a compassionate person to the end, always considering others needs above her own.

She loved a good brunch, shopping, baking, entertaining, ceramics, the beach and pool, lunching with friends, reading, watching the Hallmark Channel, and texting her daughters and granddaughter each day; always beginning and ending the day with a "Good Morning" and a "Going to Bed." Her love for family, friends, and travel kept her on the go during her retirement years, always excited to plan her next big trip.

Joanna was adored by every life she touched and will forever be missed.

Reposing at Cartwright Funeral Home, 419 N. Main Street, RANDOLPH, until April 11, at 9:30 AM followed by a Funeral Mass at 10:00 AM in Saint Mary Church. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Visiting Hours on Monday, April 10, from 4:00-8:00 PM. Burial in Saint Mary Cemetery. Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made in her name to Joslin Diabetes Research or Milford Regional Medical Center.

For directions or to leave a sympathy message for the family, visit www.cartwrightfuneral.com

GOVONI, Lawrence J.

A long-time resident of Boston's South End, passed away peacefully at home on Saturday, April 1, at the age of 83 with his family by his side. Larry was the devoted and loving partner of John Laracy for 39 years. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend Calling Hours from 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM at the Robert J. Lawler and Crosby Funeral Home at 1803 Centre Street in WEST ROXBURY, MA, on Saturday, April 8, 2023, followed by a gathering at West on Centre Restaurant at 1732 Centre Street, West Roxbury, from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM immediately following the service. Graveside services with Military Honors will be held at the Massachusetts National Cemetery in Bourne, MA on Friday, April 28, at 1:15 pm. In lieu of flowers, tribute gifts in his name may be made to the Parkinson's Foundation at parkinson.org. For complete obituary, please visit www.lawlerfuneralhome.com

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KENNEY, Raymond J. Jr.

Of Woburn, formerly of Winchester, passed away peacefully on April 3, 2023. Complete obituary to follow. Please visit https://urldefense.com/v3/__http://www.lanefuneral.com__;!!BspMT6SJLSDJ!NOpdiW_30-LYp0DQ5DhxFtnr0xyI1S5NE96wfVFP9fW299zo8-AUHZmnIZc2wb4gM2aUMs-SUsf2hoFIqwggsqrw$.

KILEY, Eileen (Courtney)

Of Auburndale, Massachusetts, passed away on April 2, 2023. Her fierce, yet quiet strength and gentle soul will reverberate forever in all blessed to know her.

She was welcomed into heaven by her parents, Martin and Catherine Courtney; her younger sister, Theresa Courtney; her brother-in-law, Felix Turley; and her son-in-law Benjamin Boyd.

Left to cherish her memory are her children, Erin and Tim Duggan, Tara Boyd, Sean and Enza Kiley; her best friend and sister, Mary (Franny) Turley; and sister, Catherine Grimes. She also leaves adored grandchildren, Jake and Emma Duggan, Luke Boyd, Conor, Theresa, Aislin and Jamieson Kiley. She was a loving aunt to 11 nieces and nephews and their children.

A Celebration of Life will be held Saturday, April 8, 2023, at 10:30 am at Burke & Blackington Funeral Home, WEST NEWTON, MA, followed by interment in Newton Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Alzheimer's Association, https://www.alz.org/ in Eileen's name.

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SARGENT, Jane Louise Oman

Died peacefully on March 17, 2023, at Kendal at Hanover. She was a long-time resident of Norwich, Vermont, and Wellesley, Massachusetts. She was 100 years old.

Jane was born in Minneapolis, MN, on August 30, 1922. At age 13, her family moved to Hastings-on-Hudson, NY. It was there Jane met her future husband, David Sargent.

A graduate of Hastings-on-Hudson High School (1939) and Smith College (1943), Jane married David on June 6, 1942. They had their first child, Karen, in 1944.

In 1945, Jane and David moved to Wellesley MA. Five more children came along, spanning 16 years. Her life was busy with committed civic involvement. Jane worked for the Wellesley Scholarship Foundation and the Housing Authority and hosted students from Boston who participated in METCO. She served on many committees and boards for her children's schools and the town of Wellesley and was active in the Unitarian Church. Jane was also an enthusiastic alumna of Smith College.

Jane took continuing education classes at Radcliffe College and later at Dartmouth College. She enjoyed the Boston Symphony and Museum of Fine Arts, driving from Vermont to Boston regularly into her 90s. Jane was a longtime member of the Wellesley Garden Club, the Hanover Garden Club, as well as the Norwich Women's Club.

Jane and David had an abiding passion for Vermont and in 1960, built a small vacation cabin in Norwich, where many Sargents had lived before them. In 1992, with the fifth addition complete, Jane and Dave left Wellesley and retired to "Chuckleberry."

Jane was an accomplished gardener, tennis player, baker, curious reader and traveler, loyal friend, loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. Her home was an important gathering spot for her children and grandchildren.

Jane was predeceased by her husband, David, in 2000. She leaves her daughters, Karen (Joel) Sirkin of Wayland, MA, Anne Walker of Newton, MA; sons, Dwight Sargent (Hai) of Norwich, VT, Carl Sargent of Boston, MA, David Sargent (Ann) of Norwich, VT, and Thomas Sargent (Allison) of Wellesley, MA; ten grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

The Sargent family would like to extend their deepest gratitude to the staff at Kendal at Hanover for their thoughtful care. A celebration of her life will be held at a later date.

In lieu of gifts or flowers, please consider a donation to the Upper Valley Land Trust or a conservation organization of your choice.

SLOAN-ROSSITER, David J.

Beloved husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, colleague, and friend, passed away at his home in Westwood.

He is survived by his loving wife of 42 years, Susan; his sons, Michael and Kyle; daughters-in-law, Caroline (nee Bennett) and Danielle Zion; his four grandchildren, his seven surviving siblings - Anne, Catherine (Kirk Tolhurst), Chuck (Ellen Bartlett), Mary (Stephen Pike), Tom, Jim (Laura), and John (Nancye); his in-laws, Wendy Sloan (Johnathan Chasan), Nancy Sloan (Larry Brown); and dozens of loving nieces, nephews, and cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents, Bill and Terry Rossiter (nee Pfeiffer); and his older brother, Bill.

David was born in Cleveland, raised in Midland, MI, and later in Glencoe, IL. He attended New Trier High School and earned his undergraduate degree from UCLA and his PhD in Clinical Psychology from Northwestern.

David completed his psychology residency at Beth Israel Hospital and had a successful private practice in Brookline. He was active as a teacher and community member at BIP, MIP, and MAPP.

David was known for his capacity to engage deeply with others and had a large circle of friends. He was a voracious reader, loved the outdoors, fishing, and had a particular passion for golf. He played at least weekly, and had seven holes in one. He was happiest walking his dogs in the woods and spending time with his family. David leaves a legacy of impact through his relationships. He was a pillar of his community in the truest sense - helping family and friends during their most challenging times.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made in David's memory to http://dana-farber.org/gift or https://hale1918.org/give/

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Obituaries

Raghavan Iyer, chef who made Indian cooking accessible to Americans, at 61

By Kim Severson
NEW YORK TIMES

Raghavan Iyer, who as a young man left India for the United States clueless about how to cook even a simple potato curry and went on to teach America's heartland how to prepare one of the world's most complex cuisines, died Friday in San Francisco. He was 61.

The cause was pneumonia complicated by colorectal cancer that had metastasized to his lungs and brain, said Terry Erickson, his partner of 41 years. Mr. Iyer lived in Minneapolis and was visiting San Francisco at his death.

Erickson was one of the first people Mr. Iyer met when he arrived in Minnesota from Mumbai at 21 to attend a small but well-regarded hospitality management program. He had picked it because it was the least expensive one he could find in the United States.

"When I first got to this country, I was almost embarrassed about where I was from and the food we ate," he said in an interview with The New York Times in February. After a while, he said, he realized that his culture was the "tool" he could use to overcome feelings of inferiority.

Mr. Iyer parlayed a rascally charm and a palate imprinted by the vegetarian South Indian food of his childhood into a prolific career, one built in part on the cookbooks of Madhur Jaffrey and Julie Sahni, the Indian cooking heavyweights who began their culinary careers in the 1970s. He referred to them as "the grandes dames of Indian cooking."

His contributions were a bridge to a new breed of American cooks and cookbook authors from the Indian diaspora, like Nik Sharma and Asha Gomez, who broke with classic preparations and found success playing with ingredients — swapping feta for the Indian cheese paneer, for example, or replacing the crust of a pizza with naan.

Mr. Iyer consulted for restaurants around the country, taught countless workshops, led tours to India, created a line of frozen Indian meals for Target, and instructed thousands of professional cooks at universities, museums, and companies, including Google.

But his favorite thing was helping individual cooks confidently tackle dishes like curries and biryanis, often using basic ingredients common in supermarkets.

Mr. Iyer published "Betty Crocker's Indian Home Cooking," the first of his seven books, in 2001. The Betty Crocker company hadn't been in the market for an Indian cookbook, but Mr. Iyer kept pressing an editor he knew at General Mills, Betty Crocker's corporate parent, with headquarters in Minneapolis.

Betty Crocker eventually let him cook a multicourse Indian lunch for a collection of executives and book publishers. It was a spectacular success. Afterward, he asked, "Is Betty ready for Indian?" The book went on to be a hit.

"He was very kind to those of us who are not great cooks," said author Amy Tan, who befriended Mr. Iyer at the wedding of novelist Scott Turow. "He knew if you made this all authentic, quote-unquote, I am not going make it. He was all about love and sharing and being honest and genuine."

Mr. Iyer's approach sometimes put him at odds with cooks in the Indian diaspora, who thought he was compromising recipes and drifting too far from traditional preparations.

His last book, "On the Curry Trail: Chasing the Flavor That Seduced the World in 50 Recipes," which he wrote between bouts of chemotherapy and surgeries, was published in February. It centers on curry powder, an ingredient that has introduced many non-Indians to the cuisine but remains controversial. In Western countries, many people define curry not as a saucy dish but as the taste that comes from a can of curry powder — the invention of British colonialists who wanted an easy way to take the flavors of India home with them.

That was in part why Mr. Iyer thought the powder would be an intriguing subject for a book. "We were pummeled by colonials for hundreds and hundreds and hundreds of years," he said. "So I wanted to look at the diaspora of curry powders through the eyes of the colonials who invented it and the Indians who they sent around the world."

Mr. Iyer was a master at nurturing friendships, mixing just the right amount of caring, gossip, and knowledge to endear him to friends in almost every state. He would often use his books as an excuse to visit his vast network. The tour schedule for "Smashed, Mashed, Boiled, and Baked — and Fried Too!" (2016), a book about his beloved potato, was 54 pages long.

"He had more tour stops than Mariah Carey," said Rebecca Carlisle, the vice president of marketing and publicity for his publisher, Workman Publisher.

Mr. Iyer was promoting that last book and visiting friends in California when he developed pneumonia and was hospitalized in San Francisco. Erickson flew in from Minneapolis, and, four days later, Mr. Iyer died in the hospital.

Raghavan Ramachandran Iyer was born on April 21, 1961, in Chidambaram, a small city in the southern Indian state of Tamil Nadu, to Gangabai Ramachandran, a homemaker, and S. Ramachandran, an officer in the Indian navy who later moved the family to Mumbai. He was the youngest of six children. His oldest sister, Lalitha Iyer, was a resident in obstetrics and gynecology when their mother was pregnant with Mr. Iyer, and she helped deliver him.

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Mr. Iyer prepared a lunch of vegetable rice and kidney beans at his home in Minneapolis in February, the month his last book, "On the Curry Trail: Chasing the Flavor That Seduced the World in 50 Recipes," was published.

Mr. Iyer, who attended Jesuit schools, wanted to be a doctor, too, but he didn't get into medical school, although he did earn a Bachelor of Science in chemistry at Bombay University. Because he spoke six languages and loved to eat, he decided to pursue a career in hospitality.

Soon after he met Erikson at Southwest Minnesota State University, the two fell in love. They moved to Lansing, Mich., to pursue hospitality degrees at Michigan State University before settling back in Minneapolis. It was a time when gay couples were often closeted, which for many years was true for them, Erikson said.

In addition to Erikson, Mr. Iyer leaves their son, Robert, who also lives in Minneapolis, and four siblings in India: Bhaskaran, Lalitha, and Ravi Iyer and Mathangi Gopalkrishnan.

Erickson said Mr. Iyer struggled with immigration issues for 18 years. Eventually, with the help of the Betty Crocker book and a growing national culinary presence, he attained residency through the national interest waiver, which requires, among other qualifications, that the applicant demonstrate significant expertise or exceptional ability in his or her field.

He went on to write "660 Curries: The Gateway to Indian Cooking" (2008), an 800-page compendium that remains an essential reference, and to win several awards for his teaching, books, and television work.

"I don't want to die a bitter old queen," he said in an interview in February, one of his last. "I've been recognized. I've been fine professionally. But the one legacy that I'm leaving behind are my relationships. It's what I can hang my hat on."

Ronald Sarasin, 88; GOP congressman from Conn.

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HARTFORD — Ronald Sarasin, a three-term Republican congressman from Connecticut in the 1970s who later went on to lead the US Capitol Historical Society, has died. He was 88.

Mr. Sarasin died at his home in McLean, Va., on March 27, according to an obituary prepared by his family that did not disclose a cause of death.

Mr. Sarasin, who was born in Fall River and grew up in Beacon Falls, Conn., was first elected to the US House in 1972 and was reelected in 1974 and 1976, representing the Fifth District in western Connecticut.

In 1978, he won the Republican nomination for governor but lost the election to Democrat Ella Grasso.

Mr. Sarasin previously served in the Connecticut House of Representatives from 1969 to 1973. After serving in the Navy in the 1950s, he went on to graduate from the University of Connecticut and its law school.

After leaving politics, Mr. Sarasin was the chief lobbyist for the National Restaurant Association and later president of the National Beer Wholesalers Association.

From 2000 to 2018, he was president of the US Capitol Historical Society, which is chartered by Congress to educate the public about the Capitol, its history, and its people.

In a Facebook post mourning his death, the historical society credited Mr. Sarasin for establishing educational programs including a traveling exhibit on the role enslaved people had in building the Capitol.

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Mr. Sarasin, pictured in 2017, served in the 1970s.

"Ron met every challenge with tremendous strength to help us grow in our work and service to reach new audiences," the post said. "We are grateful for his life, his friendship, and the legacy Ron left us all."

Mr. Sarasin leaves his wife, Leslie, and two sons.

Lucy Foyt, 84; wife of car racing legend

By Jenna Fryer
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Lucy Foyt, wife of four-time Indianapolis 500 winner A.J. Foyt, died Wednesday in a Houston hospital following a brief illness. She was 84.

Born and raised in the Houston area, Ms. Foyt met her future husband at Lamar High School and the two married in 1955. She supported her husband's racing career but rarely attended races and instead focused on her passions for "culture, arts, and global travel," the team said in a statement.

"Lucy had a special appreciation for life, always embracing new experiences, people, and challenges," A.J. Foyt Racing said. "There was never a dull moment being married to the auto racing legend; for nearly 68 years, Lucy was his rock, keeping him grounded as he ascended to superstardom in motorsports. "Her steadfast support and amazing grace under pressure throughout A.J.'s career and post-career, which was marked by life-threatening injuries on several occasions, made it possible for him to stage the remarkable comebacks that added to his legendary status."

Foyt, who turned 88 in January, had a pacemaker installed in early March. He missed the IndyCar season-opening race but spent last weekend at Texas Motor Speedway with his two-car race team.

Ms. Foyt was not feeling well when he returned home and hospitalized earlier this week. "I have known A.J. and Lucy Foyt nearly as long as I have been involved in racing. So much of A.J.'s racing success was rooted in the solid foundation of the love and support that Lucy provided for him throughout his career," said Roger Penske, owner of IndyCar and Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

"It was Lucy who was always there to help A.J. navigate through the hard times and get him back to his winning ways. Most importantly, Lucy's commitment to the Foyt family is her biggest legacy. Keeping the family connected allowed A.J. to focus on being one of the greatest race car drivers of all time. I truly believe that it would have been hard for A.J. to achieve all of his on-track success without Lucy."

Ms. Foyt leaves her husband, sons A.J. Foyt III and Jerry, daughter Terry, and their grandson, Larry, whom the Foyts adopted and is the current president of A.J. Foyt Enterprises — the team Foyt started in late 1965.

Bing Newcomb, who parlayed computer skills into at-home stock trading firm, at 79

By Sam Roberts
NEW YORK TIMES

Growing up in a working-class family in a small city in Oregon, Bing Newcomb would probably have been destined for work in the region's sawmills or lumberyards after high school except for one thing: He was legally blind.

So instead he went to college, becoming the first in his family to graduate. Adept in computer programming, he would eventually invent a system that revolutionized stock trading, enabling individual investors to buy and sell shares on their personal computers.

The company that was developed from this system, E*Trade, would make him a multimillionaire.

Mr. Newcomb died Jan. 29 at his home in Palo Alto, Calif. He was 79.

His death was reported locally earlier but announced only last month by the family through Oregon State University, his alma mater and a major beneficiary of his philanthropy. His wife, Gerry (Marshall) Newcomb, said the cause was congestive heart failure after neurological complications.

In 1980, Mr. Newcomb and William A. Porter were introduced by a mutual friend at a Halloween party in Palo Alto. Porter, a onetime cowboy turned electronics whiz, had just purchased an Apple II personal computer, the company's first model aimed at consumers. How, he wondered, could he and other individuals use the new technology to buy and sell stocks from home?

Mr. Newcomb, who had been working as a freelance computer programmer, hiring himself out to banks and other businesses that needed a guide to emerging digital technologies, provided the answers.

In 1982, with $15,000 in capital, the partners started TradePlus, one of the first electronic trading platforms. Its first trade was made on July 11, 1983, by a Michigan dentist.

By enabling investors to trade stocks from their computers, the company cut the cost of transactions below the rates charged not only by full-service brokerage houses but even by many discount brokers. The service helped promote the sale of home computers and transformed amateur Wall Street buffs into professional day traders.

Despite his impaired vision, Mr. Newcomb skied and hiked, and, while he couldn't drive, he would rise well before dawn, tape a flashlight to the handlebars of his bike and pedal to work, arriving before the stock market opened in New York.

After the market tanked in the mid-1980s, the company reemerged in 1991 as E-Trade Securities. It rapidly became a leader in online stock transactions.

By 1994, revenues had risen geometrically, from $850,000 only two years earlier to nearly $11 million. A business journal proclaimed the firm to be the fastest-growing private company in Silicon Valley. It went public as the E*Trade Group in 1996.

Mr. Newcomb, who had been the company's chief system architect and vice president for research and development, retired with 2.4 million shares of the company in 1997, when the price per share was about $23.

Bernard Alan Newcomb was born on Nov. 10, 1943, in Scio, a city of fewer than a thousand residents south of Portland, to Lyle and Agnes Newcomb. His father worked as a janitor at Scio High School.

Bernard was born with clouded vision caused by congenital cataracts. He was known as Bing because when he was a toddler, that's how his older brother pronounced his name.

He boarded at the Oregon School for the Blind in Salem through the second grade, returning home on weekends. He then attended Scio public schools through high school. He was the valedictorian of his class.

He consistently made the dean's list at the College of Business at Oregon State University in Corvallis and graduated third in his class in 1965.

But because he was visually impaired, he recalled, he was rebuffed by recruiters for banks and accounting firms. A placement counselor at Oregon State persuaded General Electric to hire him in the data processing department of the company's Hanford Works plant in Richland, Wash., where he worked for three years.

His marriage to Carol Kearney ended in divorce. In 2020, he married Gerry Lee Marshall. He also leaves a brother, Jerry, and a stepson, Forbes Marshall.

After he retired, Mr. Newcomb turned to philanthropy. He endowed the Bernard A. Newcomb Foundation and, with his wife, focused on improving the lives of people with disabilities, among other causes.

His $6.1 million gift to Oregon State in 1997 was the largest stock gift the university had ever received.

Three years later, Mr. Newcomb and his family donated $1.3 million to build a football field, track stadium, and other athletic facilities at Scio High School — where, because of his vision, he had been relegated to being the team's water boy.

He supported research through the All May See Foundation in the ophthalmology department at the University of California San Francisco, where he also funded the Bernie and Gerry Newcomb Center for Innovative Eye Surgery. He received the Helen Keller Achievement Award from the American Foundation for the Blind.

Porter, who has received much of the public credit for E*Trade, died in 2015.

The company was bought by Wall Street brokerage house Morgan Stanley in 2020.

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AT&T chief hits hot buttons, from remote work to onshoring

By Jon Chesto
GLOBE STAFF

AT&T's John Stankey had an unusually tumultuous start to his tenure as chief executive of the Dallas-based telecommunications giant. He took over in 2020, in the early days of the COVID-19 pandemic when most of AT&T's office employees were working remotely. He then took the unusual step of undoing the company's blockbuster acquisition of WarnerMedia made just a few years earlier, by spinning it off through a merger with Discovery.

He was in town recently to meet with the Boston College Chief Executives Club and chatted with the Globe while here. In that interview he talked about AT&T's newly announced venture with BlackRock, dubbed Gigapower, to build a new fiber-optic platform, and how he views the pace of returning to the office and "reshoring" manufacturing work in the United States. The following is a condensed version of that interview.

How do you view New England in terms of your expansion strategy? Obviously your compa-

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"The human spirit still today is about relationships and camaraderie and you have to feed a little bit of that," AT&T's John Stankey said about the pitfalls of working remote.

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Employment in Boston's tech sector was up slightly in 2022, despite layoffs at companies including Whoop, Wayfair, and HubSpot.

Still hiring

Boston tech employment inched up in 2022 in spite of economic turmoil

By Aaron Pressman
GLOBE STAFF

Despite a wave of layoffs at technology companies large and small, the number of people in the Boston area employed in the industry rose by 1 percent in 2022.

More than 272,500 people in the area worked in tech jobs, nonprofit tech industry group CompTIA said in its recently released annual report. The figure included technical and nontechnical people working at tech companies, as well as technical professionals at other companies.

The slight growth in 2022 came even as higher interest rates and the slowing economy upended tech stock prices and forced many companies to lay off workers. In the Boston area, tech giants Amazon and Meta cut jobs alongside smaller companies such as Snyk, Desktop Metal, and Whoop.

Though the job cuts have continued in 2023, CompTIA forecast tech-related employment in the Boston area would grow 2 percent this year.

Diversity of the workforce remained a challenge for local tech companies in 2022. According to the report, only 4 percent of Boston-area tech workers were Black, compared with 8 percent of the overall workforce; 4 percent were Hispanic, versus 10 percent of the workforce. And one-quarter of tech workers were women, compared with half of the overall workforce.

Boston's tech employment represented almost 10 percent of all jobs in the region and ranked 8th in the country for total tech employment in metropolitan areas. Seattle was just ahead of Boston with more than 289,000 jobs, and Chicago was just behind with about 245,000 tech workers. New York City ranked first overall with almost 560,000 tech jobs, and Los Angeles ranked second with almost 386,000.

Nationwide, 9.2 million people worked in the tech industry, a 3 percent gain from 2021, representing almost 6 percent of all jobs.

The median wage for Boston-area tech workers was $115,803, more than double the median wage for all local workers. The Boston tech sector accounted for $75.5 billion of economic activity, accounting for almost 15 percent of the area's economy, according to the CompTIA report.

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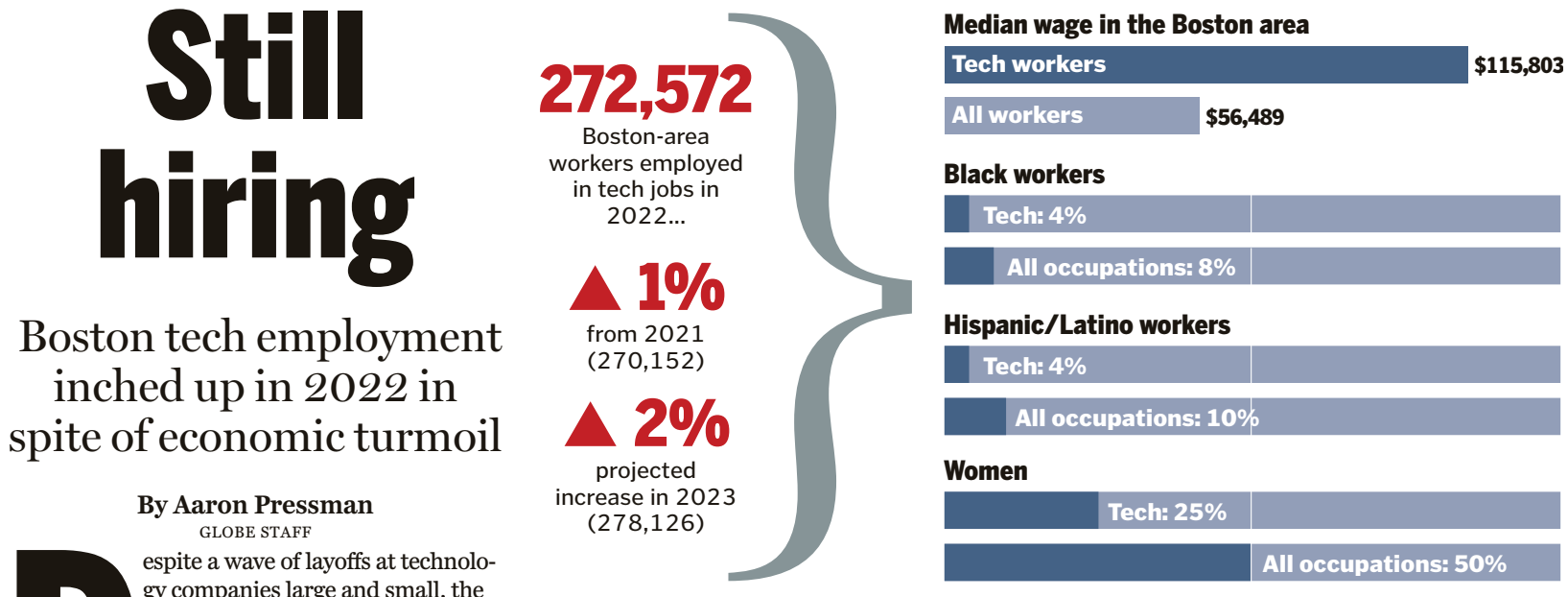

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J&J offers to settle over talc

On powder claims, proposes $8.9b with bankruptcy move

By Bryan Pietsch
WASHINGTON POST

Johnson & Johnson said it has offered to pay $8.9 billion to settle tens of thousands of claims that its talc-based baby powder caused cancer, relying on a controversial bankruptcy maneuver in an effort to put an end to decades of litigation that has tainted the company's image.

The proposed settlement would be paid to claimants over the course of 25 years via a subsidiary, the company said in a statement Tuesday. The subsidiary, LTL Management, filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy in New Jersey on Tuesday, according to court records.

Johnson & Johnson said that the settlement and bankruptcy filing did not mean it "has changed its longstanding position that its talcum powder products are safe." The company has long denied claims that its products containing talc — a mineral used to absorb moisture — cause cancer.

The company said the settlement is intended to "resolve all the current and future talc claims." But for the settlement to come to fruition, the bankruptcy filing must be approved by the US Bankruptcy Court for the District of New Jersey.

Tuesday's bankruptcy filing is the second time Johnson & Johnson has tried to use LTL Management as a vehicle for settling the claims. The first filing was struck down in January by a federal appeals court, which ruled that LTL Management was not in financial distress.

Efforts to "protect the J&J brand or comprehensively resolve litigation" were not sufficient reasons to file for bankruptcy, the US Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit wrote in its opinion. "Only a putative debtor in financial distress can do so. LTL was not." The maneuver was part of what's known as a "Texas two-step," in which a subsidiary — which often files for bankruptcy immediately after being created — is used to shield a parent company from litigation.

John Kim, the subsidiary's chief legal officer, said in the statement issued by Johnson & Johnson that LTL Management's goal "has always been to resolve these claims quickly, efficiently and fairly," and that the most recent bankruptcy filing addressed the appeals court's concerns and demonstrated it was declaring bankruptcy "in good faith."

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BPDA eyes housing development on parking lots in Charlestown

By Catherine Carlock
GLOBE STAFF

Boston officials are in the early stages of bringing another large-scale real estate development project to a fast-changing corridor of Charlestown.

The Boston Planning and Development Agency plans to seek redevelopment proposals for a swath of surface parking lots along Interstate 93 just south of Bunker Hill Community College. The BPDA-owned parking lots are bounded by the highway, the Gilmore Bridge, and New Rutherford Avenue, and today are used by Bunker Hill Community College.

Would be latest of projects to launch near Bunker Hill

A draft request for proposals outlines that the 5.6-acre site could host mixed-use development but would focus on "creation of housing for a range of income levels, with an emphasis on deeply affordable and workforce housing, as well as units with three or more bedrooms," along with 100 deeply affordable Boston Housing Authority units that would be replaced as part of the redevelopment of the BHA's Bunker Hill complex on the other side of the neighborhood. Other suggestions include a sports practice field, public open space, improved pedestrian connec-

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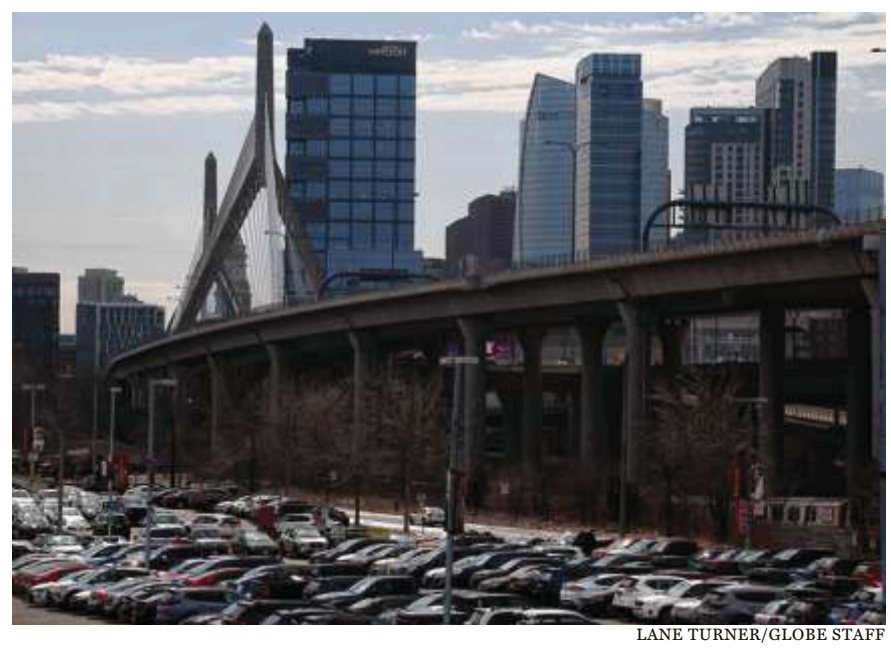

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A BPDA-owned parking lot that is bounded by Interstate 93, the Gilmore Bridge, and New Rutherford Avenue is currently used by Bunker Hill Community College. The agency is seeking proposals to develop two lots for housing.

TALKING POINTS

SMALL BUSINESSES

MORE COVID ASSISTANCE IS ON THE WAY

The Massachusetts Growth Capital Corp. is distributing another $75 million in COVID-19 assistance to small businesses in Massachusetts and a separate $3 million tranche to movie theaters that are recovering from the pandemic. The quasi-public agency has distributed roughly $800 million in COVID-19 relief to about 17,000 businesses across the state over the past three years. This latest round, a $75 million initiative dubbed the "Inclusive Recovery Grant Program," is similar to a previous iteration last year, in that it's intended for businesses that suffered financially because of the pandemic and that are owned by minorities, women, and veterans. Also eligible this time: small businesses owned by immigrants, individuals with disabilities, or those who identify as LGBTQ. These grants can range up to $75,000 per business, to pay for operating expenses. Movie theater owners, meanwhile, are eligible for $15,000 per screen for the first two screens they own at a particular location, and then for $10,000 per screen for additional screens, through the "Independent Movie Theater Grant Program." Last fall, the state Legislature set aside this $78 million in an economic development bill that relies on state budget surplus funds and federal COVID-19 relief funds. The deadline to apply for these grants is April 28. "Small businesses are the backbone of our communities and our economy," Governor Maura Healey said in a statement. "Through these new grant programs, small businesses will have access to much-needed capital and resources to help them grow and thrive." — JON CHESTO

E-COMMERCE

AMAZON AND DE BEERS TO GROW ARTIFICIAL DIAMONDS

Amazon is teaming up with a unit of De Beers Group to grow artificial diamonds, betting that custom-made gems could help revolutionize computer networks. De Beers's Element Six division will be working on the project with Amazon Web Services' Center for Quantum Networking, a unit that's seeking next-generation ways to transmit data securely over longer distances. Quantum networking uses subatomic matter to deliver data in a way that goes beyond today's fiber-optic systems. The diamonds would be part of a component that lets the data travel farther without breaking down. — BLOOMBERG NEWS

DELIVERIES

FEDEX LOOKING TO CUT $4 BILLION

FedEx is seeking to cut $4 billion in costs by combining its two main delivery networks, in an ambitious plan by new chief executive Raj Subramaniam to increase profit margins. The company has for decades operated an express package business separately from its ground unit, which FedEx acquired in 1998, and depends on third-party contractors to make the last-mile delivery of parcels. As of June 2024, it will be "a single company operating a unified, fully integrated air-ground network under the respected FedEx brand," FedEx said Wednesday in a statement. — BLOOMBERG NEWS

AUTOMOTIVE

VW HALTS SALES OF ELECTRIC SUVS OVER DOOR PROBLEM

Volkswagen has ordered dealers in the United States and Canada to stop selling its ID.4 electric SUV because its doors might open while in motion, and the German carmaker doesn't yet have a fix for the problem. Nearly 18,000 vehicles built at its Chattanooga, Tenn., factory may have door handles that are malfunctioning because of water seeping in, according to a stop-sale notice dated April 3. This can "cause a situation where a vehicle door could open unexpectedly" at low speed, VW said. First reports of ID.4 driver and passenger doors opening surfaced in January, prompting supplier U-Shin Ltd. to analyze the failed parts, and VW to discuss the issue with the US National Highway Traffic Safety Administration the following month. The carmaker, which has issued a recall, identified a total of 10 ID.4s with the self-opening doors made in Chattanooga. — BLOOMBERG NEWS

CREDIT CARDS

THAT PLASTIC IN YOUR WALLET WILL UNDERGO A CHANGE

Mastercard wants the plastic in consumers' wallets to do less damage to the environment. Starting in 2028, the company will require all banks issuing one of its payment cards to use sustainable materials as it seeks to remove first–use, PVC plastics from its network, according to a statement Wednesday. Acceptable alternatives include recycled or bio-sourced plastics. The move comes as experts increasingly worry about the toll the global addiction to plastic will take on worldwide efforts to limit greenhouse gas emissions. Plastic was responsible for 1.8 billion metric tons of greenhouse gas emissions in 2019, or 3.4 percent of the global total, more than the percentage contributed by the aviation sector. — BLOOMBERG NEWS

AIRPORTS

JUDGE SAYS THAT DUTCH GOVERNMENT CANNOT ORDER FEWER FLIGHTS AT SCHIPHOL

A judge ruled Wednesday that the Dutch government cannot order Amsterdam's Schiphol Airport, one of Europe's busiest aviation hubs, to reduce the number of flights from 500,000 per year to 460,000, dealing a blow to efforts to cut emissions and noise pollution. The ruling came in a summary case brought by airlines and civil aviation organizations led by Dutch carrier KLM that sought to halt the planned cuts unveiled last year. The decision by a judge in Haarlem, a city close to Schiphol, came a day after the airport announced plans to phase out all flights between midnight and 5 a.m., ban private jets and the noisiest planes, and abandon a project for an additional runway. — ASSOCIATED PRESS

CELLPHONES

APPLE TO OPEN FIRST RETAIL STORE IN INDIA

Apple is set to open its first official retail store in India soon, a landmark move for the iPhone maker that is placing big bets on the South Asian nation for everything from manufacturing to sales. The company released a picture of the barricade of its retail store in India's financial capital of Mumbai on Wednesday, though stopped short of giving a date for its opening. The store, housed in a posh shopping mall owned by billionaire Mukesh Ambani, is located in the city's main business district alongside multinational banks. — BLOOMBERG NEWS

VIDEO GAMES

AMAZON LAYS OFF WORKERS IN STRUGGLING GAMING DIVISIONS

Amazon laid off about 100 employees in its video game divisions as part of its broader cutbacks, affecting workers at Prime Gaming, Game Growth, and the company's San Diego studio. Amazon has struggled to capitalize on its resources in gaming, including through its Crown channel, an entertainment show on the Twitch streaming service. Twitch recently cut about 400 positions. The company has canceled and even removed titles from sale since the division kicked off in 2012. Amazon has only released one internally developed game — the online role-playing title New World, which suffered a steep decline in its player base after the September 2021 launch. — BLOOMBERG NEWS

THRIFT

MORE PEOPLE ARE BUYING SECONDHAND ITEMS

A growing number of people are buying used clothing, shoes, and accessories, propelling the secondhand industry to $177 billion in global sales last year, according to a new report from online thrift marketplace ThredUp. That marks a 28 percent increase over 2021, thanks to surging inflation, more retailers developing curated secondhand or "resale" offerings, plus increased awareness of sustainable shopping habits. — BLOOMBERG NEWS

ROCKLAND TRUST BANK

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Twitter added a label to NPR's account on the social network, designating the broadcaster "US state-affiliated media."

Twitter labels NPR as 'state-affiliated media'

By Gerry Smith
BLOOMBERG

Twitter has labeled the nonprofit media organization NPR as "US state-affiliated media" in the latest escalation of tensions between its billionaire owner Elon Musk and news outlets.

The label now appears on the public broadcaster's Twitter profile and its tweets and the designation means that NPR's posts won't be recommended or amplified on the platform.

Twitter has defined state-affiliated media as news outlets where the government "exercises control over editorial content through financial resources, direct or indirect political pressures, and/or control over production and distribution." The designation was reserved for outlets like Russia's state-backed international broadcaster RT.

Previous versions of Twitter's policy website made exceptions for the BBC and NPR, which the company called "state-financed media organizations with editorial independence." But a new version of the website only makes an exception for the BBC.

An NPR spokeswoman said the label "must be a mistake as it contradicts Twitter's own guidelines." NPR has reached out to Twitter to have it removed, she said.

NPR's two largest sources of revenue are corporate sponsorships and fees paid by NPR member organizations, according to the company. On average, less than 1 percent of NPR's annual operating budget comes in the form of grants from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting and federal agencies and departments.

Musk has used his role as Twitter's owner to agitate news organizations he doesn't like. He has banned journalists from the platform. And in recent days, the main account for the New York Times lost its Twitter verified badge after attracting the ire of Musk over its refusal to pay for the privilege.

Twitter has disbanded its press team and doesn't respond to media requests for comment. But Musk weighed in, responding to a post of Twitter's rules, saying "seems accurate."

Global agencies take down cybercriminals

Seize online marketplace for stolen logins

By Eric Tucker and Frank Bajak
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Law enforcement agencies in the United States and Europe said Wednesday that they have taken down a major online marketplace for stolen login credentials that had given cybercriminals access to millions of compromised accounts since its 2018 launch.

Officials seized 11 domain names tied to the Genesis Market and arrested about 120 users across the world, including some in the United States, according to the FBI and Justice Department, which participated in the operation.

The market "falsely promised a new age of anonymity and impunity, but in the end only provided a new way for the Department to identify, locate, and arrest on-line criminals," Deputy Attorney General Lisa Monaco said in a statement.

Genesis Market had provided users with access to data taken from more than 1.5 million computers infected with malicious software, with over 80 million account access credentials, the Justice Department said.

"Operation Cookie Monster," the effort by law enforcement agencies in 17 countries, disrupted the largest marketplace of its kind, officials said.

"Cookie" refers to the web browser cookies that let people log onto websites without the need for multifactor authentication. Criminal users of Genesis Market could purchase software scripts from it, including browser cookies and fingerprints that track a user's online activity.

The market, a "one-stop shop for account takeovers," was advertised on several predominantly Russian-speaking underground forums, the cybersecurity firm Trellix, which assisted in the investigation, said in a research report.

"While underground marketplaces that sell stolen credentials aren't a new thing, Genesis Market was one of the first that focused on fingerprints and browser cookies to enable account takeovers despite growing MFA adoption," the Trellix researchers said. A specialized browser it offered customers made "account takeover child's play for criminals," their report says.

Trellix said it observed more than 450,000 infected machines in examining the marketplace.

Trellix's threat intelligence lead, John Fokker, said the takedown would "have a notable impact on the activities of cybercriminals focused on stolen credential usage for the rest of the year. "

He said in an online chat that he did not believe the people who ran the site would be arrested because they are in Russia.

Typically after such takedowns, the criminals regroup at other sites.

Dutch police put up a webpage to allow members of the public to enter their e-mail addresses to determine whether their data was for sale on Genesis Market. The Justice Department said it had provided victim information for a website so that people could check if their accounts had been compromised.

J&J offers $8.9b to settle talc baby powder claims

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Johnson & Johnson said the settlement has been approved by more than 60,000 claimants. But it must also be approved by others, some of whom were not in favor of the agreement and the company's legal maneuver.

Leigh O'Dell, an attorney for some of the claimants, said Johnson & Johnson was "seeking an extremely deep discount on justice," adding that the bankruptcy filing would lead to delays in a resolution for her clients.

"This new filing should be viewed as a shameful attempt to run out the clock on people dying of cancer and convince some lawyers to give up," she said in an e-mailed statement, calling the settlement "a nonstarter."

According to the Food and Drug Administration, research has shown "a possible association between the use of powders containing talc in the genital area and the incidence of ovarian cancer," but studies have not "conclusively demonstrated such a link." The FDA says there is a "potential for contamination of talc with asbestos," but Johnson & Johnson has said its products do not contain asbestos, a known carcinogen.

An investigation by Reuters, however, found that the company had long been aware that some of its products had tested positive for small amounts of asbestos. Executives had for years "fretted over the problem and how to address it while failing to disclose it to regulators or the public," Reuters reported.

The company said in 2018 in response to the investigation that the attorneys representing claimants were "out for personal financial gain" and "distorting historical documents" and that "any suggestion that Johnson & Johnson knew or hid information about the safety of talc is false."

Johnson & Johnson said last year it would stop selling its talc-based baby powder internationally after it ceased sales of the product in the United States and Canada because of declining demand.

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The Swiss government coaxed UBS into taking over archrival Credit Suisse, which imploded over longstanding concerns about its history of scandals and financial losses.

UBS chairman alerts shareholders to risks in Credit Suisse takeover

Deal a product of banking crisis

By Michael J. de la Merced
NEW YORK TIMES

BASEL, Switzerland — UBS faces big risks as it prepares to absorb its longtime archrival, Credit Suisse, the bank's chairman warned shareholders at its annual meeting on Wednesday.

In his first address to the shareholders since the takeover of Credit Suisse was announced on March 19, Colm Kelleher, the chair, said that the $3.2 billion deal — brokered at the behest of the Swiss government — was the first to combine two banks designated by regulators as "systemically important."

It was an acknowledgment that taking over Credit Suisse, which imploded during the recent banking crisis over longstanding concerns about its history of scandals and financial losses, will present challenges. In announcing the deal, the Swiss government said that it was prepared to support UBS with billions of dollars' worth of financial guarantees. (That said, the deal values Credit Suisse at a fraction of where it had traded before the takeover was announced.)

"You cannot just put numbers together and reach a sum," Kelleher told the more than 1,100 shareholders assembled at the St. Jakobshalle arena in Basel, Switzerland. "You have to understand that there is a huge amount of risk in integrating these businesses."

UBS's vice chair, Lukas Gähwiler, noted the speed with which the firm had to carry out the transaction. "We had only 48 hours to carry out our due diligence," he said. "So many questions remain unanswered."

At a news conference in Bern on Wednesday, the president of FINMA, Switzerland's financial regulator, said the agency had weighed putting Credit Suisse into bankruptcy before deciding selling it to UBS was the best way to avoid disrupting Swiss and global financial markets.

Shotgun mergers to save failing banks have had a rocky history. JPMorgan Chase's chief executive, Jamie Dimon, has complained publicly about the headaches and legal costs that came with acquiring Bear Stearns and Washington Mutual during the 2008 financial crisis. They are experiences that Kelleher, who was the chief financial officer of Morgan Stanley at the time, saw up close.

But UBS officials on Wednesday were also quick to argue that their firm — which was bailed out by the Swiss government in the 2008 crisis — was in a far stronger financial position. Unlike Credit Suisse, which lost billions in recent years from bad trading bets, UBS has focused mostly on managing the money of wealthy clients, a far less risky business.

Kelleher reiterated that his firm intended to close down huge swaths of Credit Suisse's investment bank to continue UBS's emphasis on more stable operations.

"Our strategy is clear and unchanged," he said, adding that risk management and prevention of financial crime were key focuses of UBS's board — perhaps an oblique reference to his fallen rival's checkered history.

But UBS executives said it was too soon to say how many employees would lose their jobs as the two banks are combined. Vincent Kaufmann of the Ethos Foundation, a prominent shareholder, said in his appearance at the lectern, "We expect that UBS will show social responsibility by preserving as many jobs as possible."

Wednesday's event was far less solemn than Credit Suisse's final shareholder meeting, held Tuesday in Zurich. At that gathering, speakers repeatedly took to the microphone to accuse executives of mismanaging the 167-year-old bank, an icon of Switzerland's banking industry, into oblivion.

At the UBS meeting, some shareholders said they worried that the Credit Suisse takeover would create a single giant institution that would dominate Swiss banking. UBS officials pushed back against that criticism, arguing that the combined firm would still have to compete with scores of smaller banks.

US companies add fewer jobs than forecast

By Augusta Saraiva
BLOOMBERG

US companies added fewer jobs in March than forecast while wage growth slowed, underscoring labor demand that's showing some signs of cooling.

Private payrolls rose 145,000 last month after an upwardly revised 261,000 increase in February, according to figures out Wednesday from ADP Research Institute in collaboration with Stanford Digital Economy Lab. The figure was below all estimates in a Bloomberg survey of economists.

Hiring increased the most in leisure and hospitality; trade, transportation, and utilities; and construction. Firms in manufacturing, financial activities, and professional and business services cut payrolls.

The South was the only region to shed jobs, and some medium-sized businesses did as well.

The report suggests a year's worth of interest-rate hikes by the Federal Reserve could be starting to weigh on the labor market. Meantime, layoffs that initially started at big technology companies are now beginning to spread to other sectors.

The recent turmoil in the banking sector could also impact hiring if tighter credit conditions lead businesses to halt expansion plans. Smaller firms are already having trouble competing for talent amid wage pressures and higher borrowing costs.

"Our March payroll data is one of several signals that the economy is slowing," Nela Richardson, chief economist at ADP, said in a statement. "Employers are pulling back from a year of strong hiring and pay growth, after a three-month plateau, is inching down."

Workers who stayed in their jobs experienced a 6.9 percent pay increase in March from a year ago, the lowest in over a year, according to ADP's data, which analyzes payrolls of over 25 million US employees. For those who changed jobs, the median increase in annual pay eased to 14.2 percent, also the lowest since January 2022.

BPDA eyes car lots for housing

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tions, a focus on arts and culture, and community-driven ground-floor spaces.

"This development offers the opportunity to create a significant number of income-restricted units in an area that has experienced market-rate development pressures," the BPDA draft RFP states. "Proposals must provide affordability across multiple income levels."

The draft RFP outlines three development scenarios: one with six buildings, ranging from 6 to 15 stories; another with four buildings, ranging from 12 to 18 stories with three six-story podiums; and a third with three buildings, ranging from 14 to 17 stories, with two six-story podiums.

The chosen developer would have a 70-year ground lease with the BPDA for the lot; the draft RFP does not disclose lease terms or propose a cost. It does, however, say developers could apply to the Mayor's Office of Housing for funding "to support the unit mix and affordability" in their proposals.

"While requests for MOH Funding are typically capped at $1.5 million per project, MOH recognizes the tremendous demand for more housing units at lower levels of affordability across the city, and recognizes that several site specific and project-specific factors may contribute to higher development costs at the Property," the draft RFP states.

The Mayor's Office of Housing plans to use funding from the American Rescue Plan Act, but there's no specific designation made yet. The office could alternately target a combination of city and federal funding, a spokesperson said.

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A parking lot between Rutherford Avenue and Interstate 93 that is being considered for development by the BPDA.

The RFP could be issued as early as next week, following the BPDA board's April meeting, and development teams will have three months to submit responses. Proposals will be evaluated by the BPDA, city staff, and a project review committee, which will evaluate based on the volume of affordable housing, urban design, sustainable and healthy development goals, and price, the draft RFP reads. The comprehensiveness of developers' diversity and inclusion plans will count toward 25 percent of the proposal's evaluation.

Plans to transform the Austin Street lot come as much of the Charlestown neighborhood is gearing up for substantial redevelopment especially northward along Rutherford Avenue up to Sullivan Square, and as the BPDA works its way through a PLAN: Charlestown planning initiative.

Bunker Hill Community College is looking for a developer to overhaul its 32-acre campus, and has approvals from the state to seek a public-private partnership that would create a new facility for the college and potentially millions of square feet of private development on existing BHCC land. An RFP for that overhaul is expected to be ready later this year, with the college tentatively planning to select a development partner in 2024 or 2025, with construction possibly starting around 2029, spokesperson Bredan Hunt said.

Further up — past the already made-over former Hood milk plant — and under the highway from Sullivan Square, developers last year pitched a four-building lab, office, manufacturing, and residential campus at 40 Roland St., though they later dropped one of the planned labs and some housing units. Another development team has proposed a two-building lab campus at 66 Cambridge St. nearby. Yet another development group is planning a 25-story, 636-unit residential building at 1 Mystic Ave. There's also a large-scale development planned along the Mystic River on parking lots behind the Schrafft Center.

Amanda Zettel, president of the Charlestown Preservation Society, said the Austin Street lots presented an opportunity to bring the property up to the same grade as the neighborhood closest to it. She would like to see more community-focused services that could support a walkable neighborhood, as well as a project that could mitigate air pollution from the highway.

"There is a responsible way to put housing there, and to be able to knit it into the neighborhood," she said. "We're looking for a safe, clean site that mitigates the pollution we've been dealing with for years and years and years."

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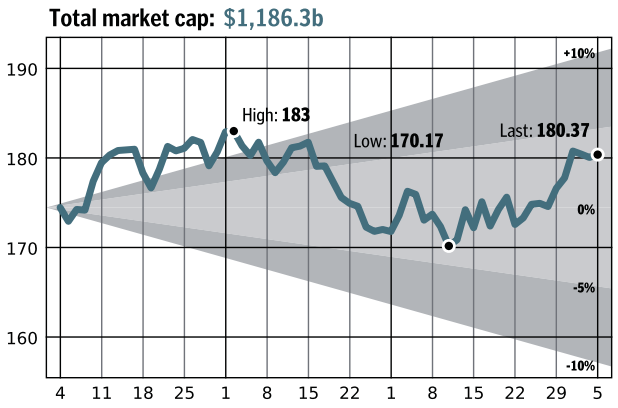

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	Price	Chg	% chg	Market cap (bil.)
Thermo Fisher Sci (TMO)	579.86	+3.68	+0.6	223.5
General Electric (GE)	94.25	-0.80	-0.8	102.8
Analog Devices (ADI)	190.37	-4.75	-2.4	96.3
American Tower Corp (AMT)	204.69	+1.24	+0.6	95.3
TJX Cos Inc (TJX)	78.04	-0.60	-0.8	89.9
Vertex Pharma (VRTX)	321.94	+7.52	+2.4	82.8
Boston Scientific (BSX)	50.74	+0.67	+1.3	72.9
Moderna Inc (MRNA)	154.61	-1.91	-1.2	59.6
Keurig Dr Pepper Inc (KDP)	35.40	+0.04	+0.1	49.8
Biogen Inc (BIIB)	283.99	+8.74	+3.2	41.0
Eversource (ES)	80.52	+2.47	+3.2	28.1
State Street Corp (STT)	75.59	+0.97	+1.3	26.0
Alnylam Pharma (ALNY)	200.82	-1.88	-0.9	24.9
Insulet Corp (PODD)	315.89	-4.02	-1.3	22.0
Hologic Inc (HOLX)	82.09	+1.30	+1.6	20.2
HubSpot Inc (HUBS)	405.25	-14.08	-3.4	20.0
Waters Corp (WAT)	302.66	-0.07	-0.0	17.8
PerkinElmer Inc (PKI)	133.36	+1.47	+1.1	16.9
Teradyne Inc (TER)	101.23	-1.86	-1.8	15.8
LPL Financial (LPLA)	191.19	-0.71	-0.4	15.0
Iron Mountain (IRM)	51.58	-1.01	-1.9	15.0
PTC (PTC)	126.14	-1.46	-1.1	14.9
Sarepta Therapeutics Inc (SRPT)	137.54	-1.04	-0.8	12.1
Akamai (AKAM)	77.41	-0.16	-0.2	12.1
Entegris Inc (ENTG)	75.78	-1.18	-1.5	11.3

Markets

Stocks slip after signs of slowdown

Stocks on Wall Street mostly slipped Wednesday following the latest signals that the US economy is slowing under the weight of much higher interest rates. Yields also fell in the bond market following weaker-than-expected reports on the health of US services industries and the job market. They're the latest signs that the economy is losing momentum following a feverish set of hikes to interest rates by the Federal Reserve meant to get inflation under control. One report from the Institute for Supply Management said that growth in the US services sector slowed last month by more than economists expected. A separate report suggested private employers added 145,000 jobs in March, down sharply from February's 261,000. Perhaps more importantly for markets, pay raises also weakened for workers, according to the ADP Research Institute. "Our March payroll data is one of several signals that the economy is slowing," said Nela Richardson, chief economist at ADP. "Employers are pulling back from a year of strong hiring and pay growth ... is inching down." Higher interest rates can undercut inflation, but only by slowing the entire economy with a blunt hammer.

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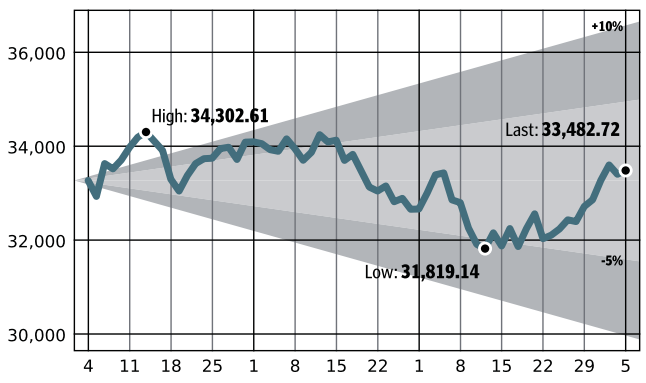

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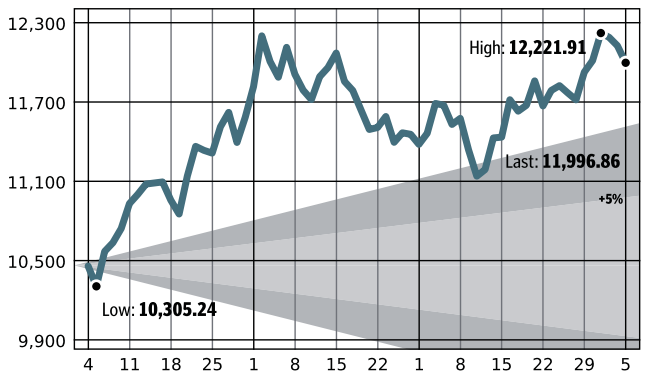

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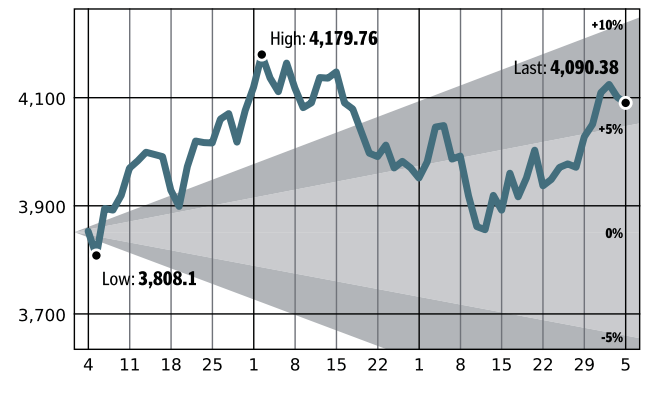

Yesterday 4,090.38 ▼ 10.22 ▼ 0.2% ▲ YTD 6.5%

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AT&T chief hits hot buttons

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Chief executive John Stankey talked about AT&T's venture with BlackRock to build a new fiber-optic platform, how he views the pace of returning to the office, and more.

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ny's roots are not here, though you are a major wireless provider.

First of all, in a city like Boston, don't underestimate the fact that virtually every Fortune 500 that's here has some relationship with us [for business communication services]. ... We probably put close to $200 million a year of investment into Massachusetts wireless infrastructure, and we do that year after year. Wireless, as you know, is becoming more capable of solving more problems so if you're now the small business, running the nail salon or the restaurant or the insurance agency, you don't necessarily need to have fixed infrastructure. It can very much be something that's supported off of wireless, and our business is growing as a result of that.

Now, when we deploy fiber infrastructure, we're less relevant in Massachusetts. However, we just started a new joint venture with BlackRock that is exclusively focused on building fiber in places where we traditionally haven't built. So we've already announced one market, which is Phoenix, and there will be a couple others that are coming behind it. We look for underserved markets, those that have a high need and maybe the infrastructure hasn't been built. So ideally we'd like to find a place where there isn't fiber, right? ... It's a footrace to build as much of it as you can. We're building more than any other company right now. But it still takes time. It's a civil engineering project, right? You have to trench 1 foot at a time.

You talked about how bringing people back to the office is what keeps many top executives up at night. Is culture getting harder to hold on to because office workers are still somewhat remote?

The way to think about it is, if you were part of a company before the pandemic, you are "indoctrinated," if you want to call it that, in the ways of the company. You had a network, you had people you worked with. Businesses changed, employees turn over, right, you hire a certain number of new folks every year. If those new hires are sitting at their mothers' and fathers' living room table, starting their career, never coming into the workplace, meeting other people, establishing their network, observing the ways of how things get done, their ties to that culture is weak, or nonexistent. ... I think there are things we can do differently in a more hybrid workforce, and we're learning what those are, but ... I think the human spirit still today is about relationships and camaraderie and you have to feed a little bit of that. That happens, you know, around the water cooler, in a shared meal, or in a team event.

Why do you see the pendulum continuing to swing toward more domestic manufacturing and 'reshoring,' even as the supply chains start to get back to normal?

When you look at the amount of critical manufacturing, it was either in China or other parts of Asia. I think people view that as probably too many eggs in one basket that has to be balanced out.

In addition, there's a lot of capital right now, flowing into the system to change supply chains. This capital is not short-lived. You don't go and build a fab in Richardson, Texas, [for only] two years. It's a long-term commitment.

I think there's an awful lot in motion right now. And it's not for free. That incremental investment will ultimately work its way into product pricing. You may end up paying $10 more for a TV set than you used to. ... A consumer will end up bearing some price for that continuity [and] security.

What are your views on the benefits of big conglomerates, as evidenced by your decision to divest WarnerMedia so soon after acquiring it?

I don't know that it applies to every [company] in every industry but the consumer is becoming accustomed to, you know, very good products that are very tailored to what they do and who they are. I think it requires a company to be very focused to meet those needs. ... It's really hard to be a conglomerate and to have that kind of focus, at least in my industry. ... The media industry requires a lot of investment right now, when you think about this shift from traditional distribution to streaming. Fighting a two-front war, doing both, was more than I thought, you know, I could effectively manage as a leader and that I thought the organization could effectively manage. ... Let another management team fight the other front, which is be really good at streaming.

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3 charged with selling defective lead tests

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"We allege that these defendants deceived customers and the FDA about the reliability of medical tests that detected lead levels. By doing so, we assert that they endangered the health and lives of incredibly vulnerable victims," Rollins said in a statement.

Winslow, the company's former chief executive, and Daoust, the former director of quality assurance and regulatory affairs, made their initial appearance Wednesday in US District Court in Boston, where they were ordered to stay away from witnesses and released on personal recognizance. Both pleaded not guilty to all charges.

Winslow's attorney, William Trach, faulted federal prosecutors for bringing the charges. According to her LinkedIn profile, Winslow was chief executive of Magellan from 2011 to 2018. She is now president of NanoImaging Services, according to the profile.

"We are extremely disappointed that the government chose to go forward with this misguided prosecution. Amy left Magellan amicably five years ago, and was a thoughtful, compassionate, and effective leader there through difficult times for the company," Trach said in a statement. "She did not commit any crimes, and this prosecution, inexplicably initiated so many years after the events at issue, should never have been brought. We look forward to Amy having her day in court, and we are confident she will be vindicated."

Daoust and her attorney declined to comment.

Maleknia, the former chief operating officer until 2021, was scheduled to appear in a Florida federal courtroom Wednesday, according to prosecutors. No information on the proceeding was available in federal court records Wednesday evening.

The three are charged with conspiracy to commit wire fraud, wire fraud, conspiracy to defraud an agency of the United States, and introduction of misbranded medical devices into interstate commerce with intent to defraud and mislead.

In 2016, the Globe reported that Magellan, which was then located in Billerica, had marketed itself as "the most trusted name in lead testing," and gained national media attention that year when it lent its devices to public health officials in Flint, Mich., where the city's water supply had been contaminated by lead.

SUZANNE KREITER/GLOBE STAFF

Reba Daoust (center), former director of quality assurance and regulatory affairs at Magellan Diagnostics, left the federal courthouse in Boston on Wednesday.

"We're trying to put more of these analyzers in the hands of doctors," Winslow told the Globe in 2016. "They're small and portable and easy to use. They take a test that used to have to be done in a lab and now it can be done in a doctor's office. And instead of waiting days or weeks, you can get the results in three minutes."

But the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Food and Drug Administration estimated that the malfunction of the Magellan device caused "tens of thousands of children and adults to receive false blood test results."

The company's line of LeadCare devices is used to test blood samples taken from a vein or samples drawn from a finger stick, according to the indictment. Its LeadCare II device was approved by the FDA for use in doctors' offices and clinics. Its other LeadCare devices were designed for use at hospitals and reference labs.

Children can be exposed to lead through bits of old paint, contaminated dust, and — in some water systems — drinking water that passes through lead pipes.

Dr. Vandana Madhavan, a primary care pediatrician at Mass General for Children, said that over the last few decades, the threshold considered to be an elevated lead level in children has dropped, and today there is no level of lead in a child's system that would be considered safe.

Children are typically screened for lead levels when they are 9 months, 2 years, and 3 years old, and also at 4 years if they live in higher risk areas, which includes much of Greater Boston and Massachusetts because of the state's abundant old housing stock.

"Even though lead paint has not been used in the US after 1978, there is still a huge amount of lead in the environment," Madhavan said. "It can be in soil, water, and products that may not undergo a strict regulatory process."

The challenge with lead poisoning is that children often don't show symptoms right away, as they would for something like carbon monoxide poisoning. The impact will show up later as developmental delays, such as in running, climbing, and jumping, or with fine motor skills, such as in eating, writing, or drawing, she said. There may also be language delays or problems concentrating.

If lead levels are extraordinarily high, she said, a child can be treated with chelation therapy — injections that bind with the offending substance and decrease its level in the body. But, she said, developmental delays from lead poisoning cannot be reversed.

Madhavan said the Mass General practice did not use the machines at issue in the case.

As for how families should react to the case, she said, "This is not like, 'Bring your child to the emergency room right away.' This is not an emergency, but families should be in the information-gathering phase to see if their child was affected. Hopefully practices will be reaching out to families proactively."

Prosecutors allege that the three company executives discovered the flaw during internal testing on June 27, 2013, but instead of correcting the error started selling the devices to the public even after tests conducted in 2014 on workers at a battery factory who were exposed to lead found "an inherent risk for false negative blood test results," according to court papers.

When a hospital and a laboratory independently told the company they were receiving inaccurate results in 2014, the three executives met to discuss the problem, authorities allege.

" ' Please call a meeting together so we can discuss this," Daoust wrote in an e-mail, according to the indictment. " 'This is what we were afraid of.' "

In 2017, an unidentified international relief organization that "provided humanitarian medical care" asked for guidance from the company on how to interpret test results. "The letter to AID Organization A contained materially false, misleading statements and concealed material facts," prosecutors wrote.

The three executives continued to hide the flaws to maintain the company's profitability while it was being acquired for $66 million in March 2016 by Meridian Biosciences, which continues to operate the company under the Magellan name, prosecutors said.

In 2021, the FDA ordered a recall of LeadCare II, LeadCare Plus, and LeadCare Ultra Blood lead tests made by Magellan "due to a significant risk of falsely low results." The company resumed distribution of its LeadCare II test kits in February 2022, and LeadCare Plus and LeadCare Ultra test kits in October 2022, the FDA said.

In a statement about the criminal charges, Meridian said it has been "cooperating extensively" with federal law enforcement. The company, which was publicly traded until it was purchased by a South Korean company, is negotiating a payment with federal officials over the issue and has set aside funds for that purpose.

"Meridian and its subsidiaries are not defendants in the action," the company said.

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WHAT'D THEY GET YOU FOR?
OH... UHM. I BROKE MY DAD'S NEW BIG-SCREEN TV PLAYING FOOTBALL IN THE HOUSE.
AH. I SEE.
NO OFFENSE, BUT THEY REALLY OUGHTA START PUTTIN' MONSTERS LIKE YOU UNDER THE JAIL.
NONE TAKEN.

ZITS by Jerry Scott & Jim Borgman

MY NAME IS JEREMY, AND MY DAD MAY BE A DORK.
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HE... HE WEARS TUBE SOCKS AND CROCS WITH GYM SHORTS WHEN HE BARBECUES...
...WHILE QUOTING MONTY PYTHON MOVIES!
OOH, THAT'S BAD.
SORRY, DUDE.

PLUGGERS by Rick McKee

Before grocery shopping, a plugger will spend 20 minutes mapping out the shortest route in the store.

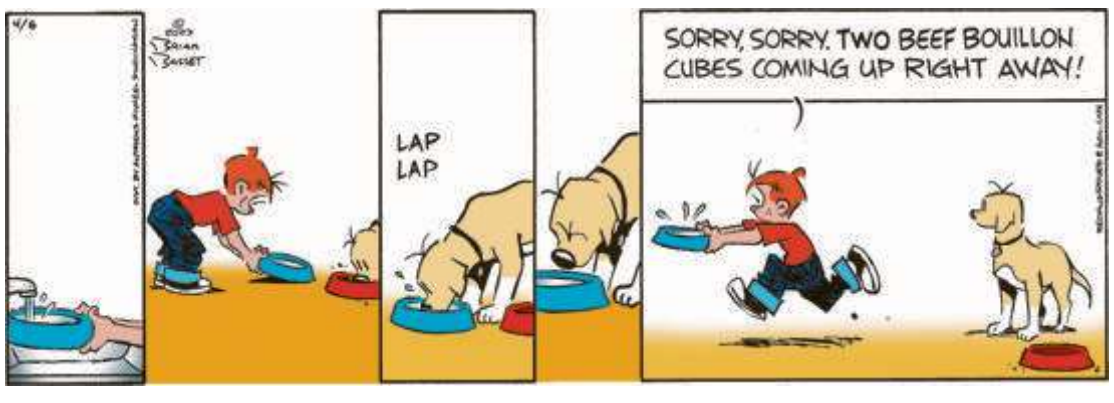
DOONESBURY by Garry Trudeau

SO EVEN AFTER LIFE, I STILL NEED FAITH TO BELIEVE IN GOD?
YOU STILL NEED FAITH. HE DOESN'T MAKE IT EASY.
HOW DISAPPOINTING. I ALWAYS THOUGHT THAT DEATH WOULD BRING EITHER DARKNESS OR CLARITY, NOT MORE DOUBT. I IMAGINED HEAVEN AS A PLACE OF CERTAINTY AND PEACE...
OH, DEAR... HOW PRESUMPTUOUS OF ME! I DON'T EVEN KNOW IF THAT'S WHERE I'M... I'M...
YOU? PLEASE.
I MADE IT IN?
YOU'RE WHAT GOD CALLS A NO-BRAINER.

DUSTIN by Steve Kelley & Jeff Parker

I'M WORKING ON A LITTLE FENDER-BENDER CASE. IT'S INTERESTING...
DID YOU KNOW THAT ABOUT HALF OF ALL CAR ACCIDENTS HAPPEN WITHIN A FIVE-MILE RADIUS OF YOUR HOME?
WHOA. SERIOUSLY?
MAYBE I SHOULD MOVE.

RED & ROVER by Brian Basset



ARCTIC CIRCLE by Alex Hallatt

FOR BETTER OR FOR WORSE by Lynn Johnston

THE BASEMENT IS FLOODED? HOW COULD THAT BE?
THE SUMP PUMP IN THE CRAWL SPACE STOPPED WORKING!
YOU WERE HOME ALL DAY, YOU KNOW HOW MUCH RAIN WE'VE HAD! — YOU SHOULD HAVE CHECKED!
MOM — I WAS ASLEEP!!
... AND I'VE WOKEN UP TO A NIGHTMARE!!
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CURTIS by Ray Billingsley

THIS NEIGHBORHOOD HAS MORE THAN ITS FAIR SHARE OF BAD DRIVERS!
I DON'T KNOW HOW SOME OF THEM EVEN GOT THEIR LICENSES!
WHAT BROUGHT THIS ON?
THERE'S A CAR UP IN A TREE
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RHYMES WITH ORANGE by Hilary Price

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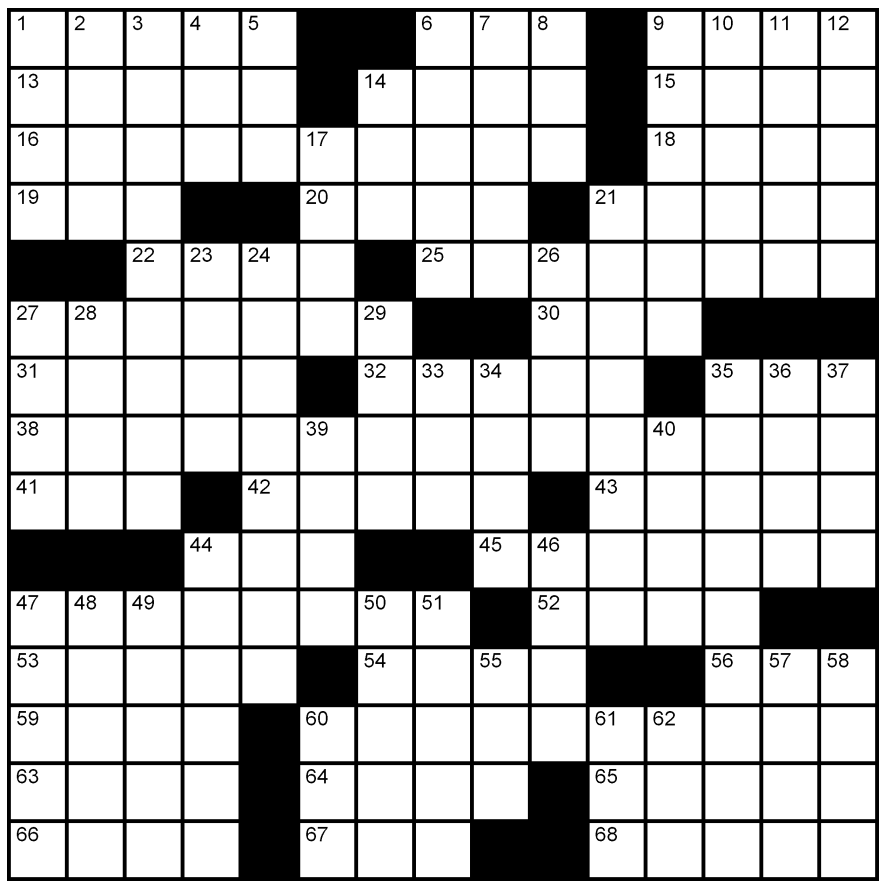
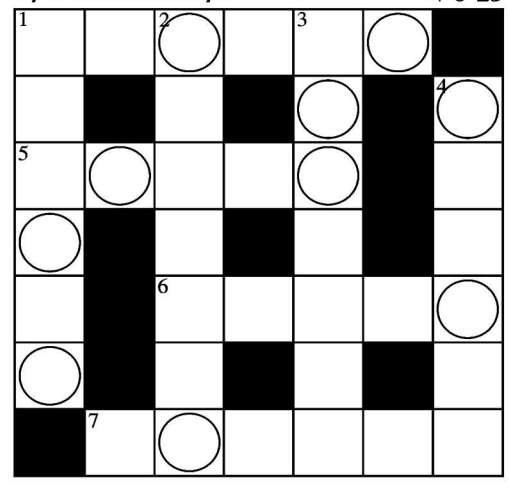
ACROSS

1 Utter nonsense
6 Colombo, ___ Lanka
9 Phone downloads
13 Support staff
14 Words of confidence
15 In ___ of
16 Porsche 911s, for example
18 Decked out
19 Documentary maker Burns
20 Bronte's Jane
21 Laughs loudly
22 Spacious bag
25 Orchard pest
27 S'poses
30 Rank above cpl.
31 Egg-producing gland
32 Ibsen's "___ Gabler"
35 Cow sound
38 Lawyers' groups, or a hint to the word that can follow the starts and precede the ends of 16-, 25-, 47- and 60-Across
41 Half and half
42 Commotions
43 Media mogul Winfrey
44 Portable bed
45 Card game with melds
47 Where to see saws
52 French fries or coleslaw, e.g.
53 Wide assortment
54 Tidy
56 Corp. money manager
59 Tractor trailers
60 Keyboardist's seat
63 Cleaner on a dish, in two ways
64 Broadway award
65 Actress Sink of "Stranger Things"
66 Quaint hotels
67 Picnic colonist
68 Skaters' jumps

DOWN

1 Job at hand
2 Ready to harvest
3 "Whatever"
4 For each
5 Superlative suffix
6 Neck wrap
7 Less common
8 Useful connections
9 "Little Women" author
10 Seasoned rice dish
11 Oyster's offering
12 Full of bubbles
14 Like some slippery roads
17 Spotted
21 Tubular pasta
23 Gumbo vegetable
24 1995 film that introduced Buzz Lightyear
26 Fed. food inspector
27 Lead-in to "call"
28 "Dear ___ Hansen"
29 Like racehorses' hooves
33 Green starter?
34 ___ jockey
35 Where E is .
36 Watchable by
37 Workplace safety grp.
39 San Diego Padres slugger Juan
40 Apple tablet
44 Necklace fasteners
46 On the subject of
47 Anklebones
48 Celestial hunter
49 Instrument with pipes
50 Bermuda or brown vegetable
51 Intended
55 Whichever
57 Aluminum wrap
58 Soccer stadium shouts
60 School grp. for adults
61 Agcy. that issues nine-digit IDs
62 Purchase price add-on





ACROSS

CLUE	ANSWER
1. Quiet flyer	LDIEGR
5. Surmise	EINRF
6. Stinks	RSEKE
7. Placard, ad, bill	EROPTS

DOWN

CLUE	ANSWER
1. Electric ____	RITGUA
2. "The Towering ____"	NRONFEI
3. Sincere	RAEETSN
4. Fountain, gusher	EESRGY

CLUE: This musician was so sick as a young boy that three times doctors told his mother he wouldn't survive.

BONUS

How to play: Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS.

ANSWERS: 1A-Glider 5A-Infer 6A-Reeks 7A-Foster 1D-Guitar 2D-Inferno 3D-Earnest 4D-Geyser B-Ringo Starr

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Boston's forecast

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TODAY
6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.
HIGH **66-71** LOW **47-52** Mostly cloudy with showers; an afternoon thunderstorm in spots. Winds SSW 6-12 mph. An early evening shower, then some clearing tonight. Wind WNW 7-14 mph.

FRIDAY
6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.
HIGH **56-61** LOW **32-37** Partly sunny; breezy in the afternoon. Winds WNW 12-25 mph. Partly cloudy and colder at night. Winds NW 8-16 mph.

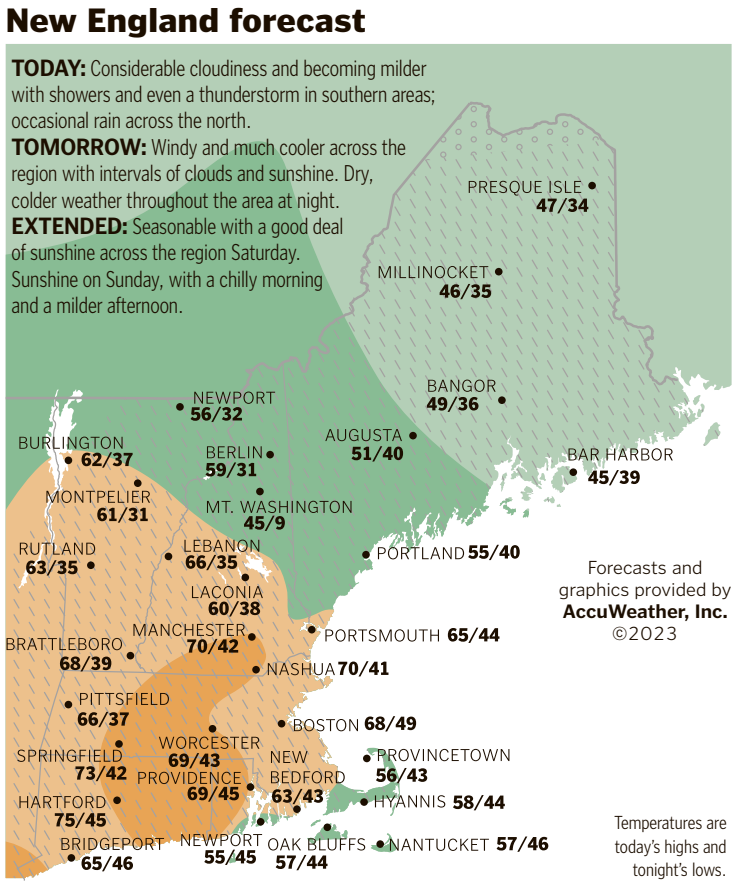
SATURDAY
6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.
HIGH **49-54** LOW **35-40** Mostly sunny. Winds NW 7-14 mph. Clear and chilly at night. Winds NNW 6-12 mph.

SUNDAY
6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.
HIGH **52-57** LOW **37-42** Plenty of sunshine. Winds S 8-16 mph. Clear at night. Winds SW 6-12 mph.

MONDAY
6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.
HIGH **58-63** LOW **43-48** Pleasant with plenty of sun. Winds SW 6-12 mph. Patchy cloudiness at night. Winds SW 10-20 mph.

New England forecast

TODAY: Considerable cloudiness and becoming milder with showers and even a thunderstorm in southern areas; occasional rain across the north.
TOMORROW: Windy and much cooler across the region with intervals of clouds and sunshine. Dry, colder weather throughout the area at night.
EXTENDED: Seasonable with a good deal of sunshine across the region Saturday. Sunshine on Sunday, with a chilly morning and a milder afternoon.



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Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.

Almanac

Yesterday's high/low	49°/41°
Sunrise	6:19 a.m.
Sunset	7:15 p.m.
Moonrise	8:01 p.m.

Mount Washington (5 p.m. yesterday)

Weather	Rain
Visibility	0 miles
Wind	southwest at 45 m.p.h.
High/low temperature	33/26
Snow depth at 5 p.m.	17.0"

Boston snowfall (5 p.m. yesterday)

Yesterday	0.0"
Total for April	0.0"
Normal for April	1.9"
Season total	12.4"
Season normal	49.2"

Degree days

	Heat
Yesterday	20
Monthly total	92
Normal to date	106
Season total (normal)	4150 (4875)
Last year to date	4436

24 Hr. Precipitation (valid at 5 p.m. yesterday)

Yesterday	0.00"	Month to date	0.35"	Year to date	11.23"
Precip days in April	3	Norm. month to date	0.64"	Norm. year to date	11.41"

Climate data are compiled from National Weather Service records and are subject to change or correction.

Tides

	A.M.	P.M.
Boston high	12:01	12:22
Height	9.9	9.7
Boston low	6:11	6:27
Height	0.1	0.4
High tides		
Old Orchard ME	---	12:14
Hampton Beach NH	12:07	12:28
Plum Island	12:15	12:37
Ipswich	---	12:13

High tides

	A.M.	P.M.
Gloucester	12:01	12:22
Marblehead	12:01	12:22
Lynn	12:01	12:23
Scituate	12:05	12:26
Plymouth	12:11	12:32
Cape Cod Canal East	---	12:13
Cape Cod Canal West	11:06	
Falmouth	---	12:06

High tides

	A.M.	P.M.
Hyannis Port	12:56	1:26
Chatham	12:49	1:18
Wellfleet	12:15	12:36
Provincetown	12:04	12:26
Nantucket Harbor	12:55	1:26
Oak Bluffs	12:22	12:39
New Bedford	8:47	9:06
Newport RI	8:40	8:59

New England marine forecast

● Small craft advisory ● Gale warning ● Storm warning

	Wind	Seas	Temp
Boston Harbor	S 4-8 kts.	1-3 ft.	69/49
East Cape Cod Canal	SW 8-16 kts.	2-4 ft.	62/46
● Buzzards Bay	SW 8-16 kts.	2-4 ft.	61/46
Martha's Vineyard	SW 8-16 kts.	2-4 ft.	59/47
● Nantucket	SW 10-20 kts.	2-4 ft.	57/47
● Provincetown	SW 7-14 kts.	2-4 ft.	57/43

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Cities

Forecast high and low temperatures and conditions

● Travel delays possible, **C** Clouds, **F** Fog, **H** Haze, **I** Ice, **Pc** Partly Cloudy, **R** Rain, **Sh** Showers, **S** Sun, **Sn** Snow, **Fl** Flurries, **T** Thunderstorms, **W** Windy

	Today		Tomorrow	
● Atlanta	84/64	T	70/49	T
● Atlantic City	79/49	T	63/41	Pc
● Charlotte	84/60	T	64/46	R
● Chicago	55/35	S	54/38	S
Dallas	62/48	C	56/51	Sh
Denver	50/27	Pc	68/40	S
● Detroit	55/33	Pc	51/34	S
Fort Myers	92/70	Pc	91/68	Pc
Los Angeles	75/51	S	69/51	S
● Miami	86/75	Pc	85/75	Pc
● New Orleans	85/72	T	80/70	T
● New York City	79/51	T	60/40	Pc
● Philadelphia	82/52	T	62/42	Pc
Phoenix	80/54	S	83/56	S
Salt Lake City	46/29	S	52/41	Pc
San Francisco	60/52	Pc	59/54	R
● Seattle	52/47	R	53/42	R
● Washington	84/53	T	63/46	Pc
● Beijing	66/39	Sh	62/38	S
● Cancun	88/74	Pc	87/72	S
● Mexico City	84/56	S	82/54	R
Montreal	53/33	C	40/23	Pc
● Toronto	54/33	S	43/28	Pc
● Vancouver	51/47	R	54/43	R
Jerusalem	66/47	S	79/54	S
● London	55/39	C	57/39	Pc
Moscow	52/31	S	48/31	Pc
Paris	57/42	C	57/38	Pc
Rome	60/38	S	61/47	S
● San Juan	79/71	Sh	81/73	T
Stockholm	40/32	R	42/28	Pc
● Tokyo	69/63	Pc	69/60	R

HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, April 6, 2023:
You are charismatic. It's important to surround yourself with positive-minded people, because you are very loyal to your friends. This is an excellent year. You will get recognized for past efforts. You might get a raise, a promotion, an award — some kind of acknowledgement. Bravo!

ARIES *(March 21-April 19)*
Do be careful, because this is a loosey-goosey day. The entire day is a Moon Alert, which means it's a poor time to make important decisions or to shop for anything other than food or gas. Definitely do not commit to anything with a partner or close friend. Just coast. Tonight: Check your finances.

TAURUS *(April 20-May 20)*
This will be a challenging day at work for you because it is a Moon Alert all day. Expect shortages and a vague sense of confusion. Don't volunteer for anything. Don't initiate anything important. Just carry on as usual. Wait until tomorrow to order supplies or spend money. Tonight: Cooperate.

GEMINI *(May 21-June 20)*
This is a very creative day for you! Although it's a loosey-goosey day for almost everyone, for your sign, because it's easy for you to think outside the box, you will dream up creative concepts and be very imaginative. It's also a great day to party and schmooze! Tonight: Get organized.

CANCER *(June 21-July 22)*
If you can, this is the perfect day to play hooky and stay at home and watch daytime TV or indulge in your favorite guilty pleasure. It's a poor day for important decisions. It's a poor day to spend money on anything other than food and gas. Do not agree to anything important. Just tread water. Tonight: Socialize!

LEO *(July 23-Aug. 22)*
Your impulse today will be to keep a busy pace, run errands, and meet people and handle appointments. However, this is a poor day for decisions of any kind. It's a poor day to shop (except for food and gas). Don't commit to anything. Forewarned is forearmed. Tonight: Relax at home.

VIRGO *(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)*
Right now, you have a stronger than usual focus on money, cash flow, shared property, wills, and inheritances. Nevertheless, because today there is a Moon Alert happening for the entire day, avoid important financial decisions. If shopping, restrict your spending to food and gas. Tonight: Conversations.

LIBRA *(Sept. 23-Oct. 22)*
Be careful today. Because the Moon is in your sign, you will tend to be more emotional than usual. You might overreact. Meanwhile, all of today is a Moon Alert, which means avoid important decisions and restrict your spending to food and gas. Be aware of this to avoid headaches later. Tonight: Money issues.

SCORPIO *(Oct. 23-Nov. 21)*
This is the perfect day to keep a low profile and seek solitude if you can arrange it. If not, be careful at work. Keep your head down and your powder dry. It's a Moon Alert all day, which means avoid important decisions and spending money. (Except for food.) Tonight: You're in charge.

SAGITTARIUS *(Nov. 22-Dec. 21)*
This is a playful, social day for you. Enjoy the company of others. Enjoy artistic and creative adventures. Be careful about going overboard, especially spending money. Enjoy socializing but avoid important decisions and shopping. Commit to nothing. Tonight: Solitude.

CAPRICORN *(Dec. 22-Jan. 19)*
Do not volunteer for anything today, because today is a Moon Alert. You are high-viz, and very likely, someone might approach you to ask you to do something. Try to deflect this if you can and give them your response tomorrow. Tonight: Enjoy friends.

AQUARIUS *(Jan. 20-Feb. 18)*
This might be a busy day with short trips and appointments. Expect shortages, delays, and misunderstandings. Avoid important decisions. Don't volunteer for anything. Restrict spending to food and gas, because it's a Moon Alert all day. Be smart. Tonight: You're noticed.

PISCES *(Feb. 19-March 20)*
This is a tricky day because it is a Moon Alert all day, which means avoid shopping except for food and gas. Nevertheless, your focus is on money, cash flow, and earnings. Avoid important decisions. Tread carefully! Tonight: Explore!

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SUDOKU

	1						2	
	4						7	
6			2	3	1			5
9			7		8			6
8								1
1			3		9			4
3			4	5	7			8
	8						1	
	9						3	

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3X3 box contains the digits 1 through 9. Puzzle difficulty levels: Easy on Monday and Tuesday, more difficult on Wednesday and Thursday, most difficult on Friday and Saturday. Tips and computer program at www.sudoku.com.

DAILY BRIDGE CLUB

BY FRANK STEWART

South dealer — N-S vulnerable

North
♠ K 5 2
♡ 8 4
♢ A 9 5 4
♣ A Q J 7

West
♠ 7 3
♡ K Q J 10 7 3
♢ 6
♣ 9 8 4 2

East
♠ 10 9 8 4
♡ 9 5
♢ K 10 8
♣ K 10 5 3

South
♠ A Q J 6
♡ A 6 2
♢ Q J 7 3 2
♣ 6

South	West	North	East
1 ♢	2 ♡	3 ♣	Pass
3 ♠	Pass	4 ♢	Pass
5 ♢	All Pass		

Opening lead — ♡ K

An optimist sees green lights, a pessimist sees red lights. A wise player is color-blind; he focuses on his goal and tries to anticipate trouble.

In today's deal, both Souths in a team match played at five diamonds after both Wests tossed in a preemptive jump-overcall. West led the king of hearts.

One South took the ace and optimistically let the queen of trumps ride. East won and led his last heart, and West won and led a third heart. Declarer ruffed with dummy's ace of trumps to avoid an overruff, but East's 10-8 were worth a trick. Down one.

In the replay, South was pessimistic about winning a trump finesse; he led low to the ace and returned a trump. East rose with the king and returned a heart, and when West won and led a third heart, East scored his 10 of trumps. Down one again.

Both Souths were unwise: They should let West win the first trick. After they win the next heart, they can attack the trumps in any reasonable way and lose one trump and one heart.

DAILY QUESTION You hold: ♠ K 5 2 ♡ 8 4 ♢ A 9 5 4 ♣ A Q J 7. You are the dealer. What is your opening call?

ANSWER: You have a mandatory opening bid. I believe a slight majority of experts would open one diamond with this pattern. I prefer to open one club, so as to make a fit in either minor suit easier to locate. I would certainly open one club here when the club suit is so much stronger. Lead-direction if the opponents buy the contract is a factor.

ZIPPY "Cheap Shot" by Bill Griffith

I READ ONCE THAT IF A SUPER SOAKER APPEARS IN TH' FIRST PANEL, IT HAS TO GO OFF IN TH' LAST PANEL!
IT'S TRUE FOR EVERY ALFRED HITCHCOCK MOVIE I'VE EVER SEEN NOT STARRING TIPPI HEDREN!!
I WAS THINKING OF LOADING MY SUPER SOAKER WITH CLAM JUICE & BRINGING IT TO ALL TH' BIG POLITICAL RALLIES THIS SEASON--
AIM LOWER. HERE COMES RON DESANTIS.

ADAM@HOME by Rob Harrell

OKAY. MAYBE MY IMAGINARY FRIEND IS A RABBIT?
BUT WITH A PRETTY DRESS... AND A HAT.
LIKE THIS?
NO... TRY A VELOCIRAPTOR.
THAT DOES SEEM MORE "YOU."

BIZARRO by Wayno & Piraro

ROSE IS ROSE by Pat Brady & Don Wimmer

MOTHER GOOSE & GRIMM by Mike Peters

Today's Crossword Solution

S	L	E	X	A	■	■	T	N	A	■	S	N	N	I
E	I	D	A	S	■	Y	N	O	T	■	P	A	O	S
L	O	O	T	S	O	N	A	I	P	■	S	G	I	R
O	F	C	■	■	T	A	E	N	■	Y	A	R	R	A
■	■	E	D	I	S	■	M	O	O	R	O	L	O	T
A	T	S	A	N	A	C	■	■	T	O	C	■	■	■
H	A	R	P	O	■	S	O	D	O	T	■	E	N	O
S	N	O	N	I	A	O	C	I	S	■	A	R	A	B
O	M	■	A	D	D	E	H	■	S	Y	R	A	V	O
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S	R	A	O	R	■	N	A	C	I	■	E	S	D	A
■	■	P	P	A	■	I	R	S	■	■	E	I	R	T

Today's Sudoku Solution

2	6	4	1	8	9	5	3	7
7	3	5	9	2	6	1	8	4
8	9	6	7	5	4	2	1	3
4	8	7	6	9	3	5	2	1
1	5	3	2	4	7	6	9	8
6	2	5	8	1	7	3	4	9
5	9	8	4	3	2	7	6	1
3	7	1	5	6	8	4	9	2
9	4	2	3	7	1	8	5	6

TV CRITIC'S CORNER

BY MATTHEW GILBERT

ROBERT FALCONER/APPLE TV+ VIA AP

Keegan-Michael Key and Cecily Strong return as Josh and Michelle in season 2.

Embracing the seedier side of 'Schmigadoon!'

I liked season 1 of Apple TV+'s "Schmigadoon!," as it made clever fun of the cliches and innocence of old-fashioned Broadway musicals such as "Oklahoma" and "The Music Man." But I loved season 2, which premiered on Wednesday. This time, the shows getting teased include the likes of "Cabaret," "Hair, "Jesus Christ Superstar," "Godspell," "Sweeney Todd," and "Chicago," the last giving the season its subtitle, "Schmicago." These show are corny in their own way, I suppose, but not nearly the so-called "Corn Puddin'" of season 1.

Last season, Josh (Keegan-Michael Key) and Michelle (Cecily Strong) found that a trip to Schmigadoon helped them heal their marriage. Now, two years later, they need a refresher and go looking for the town that helped them. But they can only find Schmicago, where they are greeted by an edgy guy known as The Narrator (Tituss Burgess) — think the Emcee in "Cabaret" — and where many of the actors from season 1, including Alan Cumming, Kristin Chenoweth, Jane Krakowski, and Aaron Tveit, appear as different characters. Schmicago, very unlike Schmigadoon, is filled with seedy nightclubs, disreputable women, and plenty of jazz hands.

It doesn't take long before Josh and Michelle are pulled apart. He is mistakenly arrested for murdering a showgirl at a cabaret, while Michelle tries to get him out of jail. This season,which is also six brisk episodes, the two aren't trying to figure out how the whole Broadway fantasy world works; they jump into the story line and ride it and its absurdity breezily. They and the other cast members are all game, and their enthusiasm is infectious. There are references everywhere, to Sally Bowles, to Mrs. Lovett of "Sweeney Todd," to Jesus in "Godspell," and to so many other characters and shows. Occasionally, a song will start, and you think you know it until, comically, it veers into its own structure. There are homages, too, even in the sets. But the show isn't entirely dependent on the viewer's knowledge of musical theater, either. It's a fast, easy good time, whether the name Elsie means anything to you or not.

ASK AMY

An in-law is tired of being an 'out-law'

Q. I've been married for 36 years. Whenever we see my husband's family, there would be a point when the "family" would be in one room and the "not-family" in another.

A few years ago, one of his sisters was very ill and needed help. All the siblings pitched in. She is healthy now, and it made them realize that they wanted to spend more time together.

However, they exclude the "non-family" in these gatherings. They get together three or four times a year.

My husband and I moved a distance away a few years ago. They got together just before we moved and celebrated his birthday. I was not included.

Last year when we traveled for one of these gatherings, I had dinner with a friend, and then waited for 30 minutes for my husband to come out of the restaurant, where he was with his siblings! He now says I could have joined them, but I know they don't want anyone but siblings.

I have told him that if I travel with him again so he can see his siblings, I will not wait in the parking lot for him!

Should I be more understanding about his time with his siblings?

NOT FAMILY

A. I don't think it's that uncommon for siblings to want to get together, and yet there is a balance here where spouses should not be (or feel) deliberately excluded. In my own massive in-law family (13 siblings!), I've formed an attachment to the spouses and we occasionally have our own "out-law" get-togethers when the siblings are hanging together.

No, your husband's siblings should not have had a birthday celebration for him in your town without including you. Your husband is responsible for establishing that he does NOT leave you behind for special occasions.

On the other hand, I can't imagine waiting in a parking lot, fuming, when you could have simply entered the venue and perhaps joined them for a cup of coffee. You're an adult. You have the responsibility to treat others as you wish to be treated.

Q. I have a nephew who is only eight years younger than me. We were very close as kids, but after college I haven't seen him much, because he was living several states away. He is now married, with kids, and works in the medical field.

Last year we were all thrilled when his family moved two hours away. I had planned a small outdoor party to celebrate my wedding, with 50 guests. With our large family, the guest list was no easy task.

I personally gave his wife the invitation at a shower, about three months earlier. I invited the kids, too.

I received no response. Nothing at all, not even a Facebook message.

I can't help but feel hurt, like I am invisible. I would have been happy with any acknowledgment.

My sister (his mom) told me, the day before the party, that he had just gotten back from a vacation and couldn't make it. That was a year ago.

Is this behavior normal now? (No response to Christmas cards, either.)

I am still hurt. I realize I probably shouldn't take it personally, but it is hard not to.

I had hoped his moving closer would mean that we would reconnect.

How do I move past this hurt?

HURT BRIDE

A. Polite and timely RSVPs have fallen by the wayside. This is why many hosts are forced to contact those they haven't heard from two weeks before the event.

This is not only frustrating but also hurtful. Of course you take this personally!

You should reach out to your nephew (not his wife, not his mom, but him). Tell him, "I felt rejected that you and your family never responded to the invitation to my wedding celebration last summer. It's gnawing at me and I'm wondering: Should I take this personally?"

Q. Kudos to you for the profound response you gave to "Trying Not to Judge."

"The only wisdom I'm able to offer you with complete authority is that no overweight person wants or needs your gaze, your scrutiny, or your curiosity about why they aren't more like you." That sentence was the best response I've ever read, and sums up what millions of people with weight issues want to verbalize to insensitive people, who are unable to understand the complexity of weight management, and believe that everyone should look like them.

GRATEFUL

A. I accept your kudos, and thank you.

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Movies Sports News Specials

		7:00p.m.	7:30p.m.	8:00p.m.	8:30p.m.	9:00p.m.	9:30p.m.	10:00p.m.	10:30p.m.	11:00p.m.	11:30p.m.
2	WGBH PBS	Greater Boston	R. Steves' Europe	This Old House	Ask This Old House	The Boleyns: A Scandalous Family TV-PG		Lucy Worsley's Royal Myths & Secrets (CC)		Amanpour and Company HD NEW	
4	WBZ CBS	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy! TV-G NEW	Young Sheldon	(8:31) Ghosts	(9:01) So Help Me Todd (CC) TV-14-L,V		CSI: Vegas (CC) HD TV-14-V		WBZ News 11p	Masters Hlghts
5	WCVB ABC	NewsCenter 5	Chronicle (CC)	Station 19 HD TV-14-L,V		Grey's Anatomy HD TV-14-D,L		Jeremy Renner: The Diane Sawyer		NewsCenter 5	Jimmy Kimmel
6	WLNE ABC	Hollywood	Inside Ed.	Station 19 TV-14-L,V		Grey's Anatomy		J Renner		News	J. Kimmel
7	WHDH	Inside Edition TV-PG	Extra TV-PG NEW	Family Feud	Family Feud	7 News at 9PM (CC) NEW		7 News at 10PM (CC) NEW		7 News at 11PM NEW	Inside Edition TV-PG
9	WMUR ABC	Chronicle	News	Station 19 TV-14-L,V		Grey's Anatomy		J Renner		News	J. Kimmel
10	NBC Boston	Boston News	Access Hollywood	Law & Order HD TV-14-V		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit HD		Law & Order: Organized Crime TV-14-L,V		Boston News	Tonight Show
10	WJAR NBC	NBC 10 News	Extra TV-PG NEW	Law & Order HD TV-14-V		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit HD		Law & Order: Organized Crime TV-14-L,V		News	Tonight Show
11	WENH PBS	Travelscope	Granite State	Windows Wild	Stories-Stage	White Mountains	Defending the Dark	Breakthrough: The Ideas That Changed		Amanpour and Company HD NEW	
12	WPRI CBS	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy! TV-G NEW	Young Sheldon	(8:31) Ghosts	(9:01) So Help Me Todd (CC) TV-14-L,V		CSI: Vegas (CC) HD TV-14-V		12 News at 11 NEW	Masters Hlghts
25	WFXT FOX	Ent. Tonight	TMZ (CC) TV-PG NEW	Next Level Chef HD TV-14-L		Animal Control	(9:31) Call Me Kat	Boston 25 News at 10PM HD NEW		Boston News	National News
27	WUNI	La rosa de Guadalupe HD TV-14		Perdona nuestros pecados HD NEW		El amor invencible HD		Cabo HD		Noticias Univisión	Noticiero Univision:
36	WSBE PBS	Cook's Country	Story-Public Sq	Double Feature: Presented by RI		PBS NewsHour (CC) HD		Finding Your Roots With Henry		PBS NewsHour (CC) HD	
38	WSBK	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	WBZ News 8p (CC) HD NEW		Daytime Jeopardy	Big Bang Theory	CBS News Boston Now on TV38 (CC) NEW		Seinfeld TV-PG	Seinfeld TV-PG
44	WGBX PBS	Test Kitchen	Antiques Roadshow	Whitechapel (CC) TV-14		Agatha Christie's Poirot (CC) TV-G			(10:35) Professor T (CC) TV-14-L		PBS NewsHour
50	WWJE	Sunshine Slayings		Dateline (CC)		Dateline TV-14-D		Dateline (CC) TV-14-V		The Last 24 TV-14	
56	WLVI CW	Young Sheldon	Young Sheldon	Walker Trey's lands in hot water. TV-14-V		Superman & Lois HD TV-PG-V		7 News at 10PM on CW56 (CC) NEW		Modern Family	Modern Family
64	WNAC FOX	Family Feud	Family Feud	Next Level Chef HD TV-14-L		Animal Control	(9:31) Call Me Kat	12 News on Fox Providence at 10pm NEW		Seinfeld TV-PG	Seinfeld TV-PG
68	WBPX ION	Chicago P.D. (CC) TV-14-L,V		Chicago P.D. (CC) TV-14-L,V		Chicago P.D. (CC) TV-14-L,V		Chicago P.D. (CC) TV-14-L,V		Chicago P.D. (CC) TV-14-D,L,S,V	
PREMIUM CABLE											
Cinemax		(5:58) ★★★ Hellboy (2004) PG-13		★ Van Wilder 2: The Rise of Taj (2006) (CC) NR		(9:38) ★★ Harold & Kumar Escape From Guantanamo Bay (2008) (CC) R					Miller-Sin City
Flix		(5:15) ★★★ The English Patient		★★★ Shakespeare in Love (1998) (CC) R				(10:05) ★★★ Nicholas Nickleby (2002) (CC) PG			
HBO		(5:20) GoldenEye	Rain Dogs TV-MA	★★ Smokin' Aces (2007) (CC) R				Perry Mason (CC)	(10:40) ★★ Valkyrie (2008) (CC) PG-13		
HBO 2		(5:50) ★★★★ Milk (2008) (CC) R		Rain Dogs TV-MA	★★★ Knocked Up (2007) (CC) A one-night stand has an unforeseen consequence. R				(10:45) ★★ Don't Worry Darling (2022) (CC) R		
Showtime		(6:45) ★★★ Uncut Gems (2019) (CC) R				Walkaway Joe (2020) (CC) NR			Yellowjackets (CC) TV-MA		All Access TV-14
Showtime 2		(6:00) Dead for a Dollar (2022) (CC) R		★★★ Gladiator (2000) (CC) A fugitive general becomes a gladiator in ancient Rome. R					(10:45) ★★★ Snowpiercer (2013) (CC) R		
Starz!		(7:12) ★★ Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian (2009) (CC) PG				★ Annie (2014) A plucky foster child charms her way into a billionaire's heart.				(11:02) Men in Black: International	
TMC		(5:45) ★★ Shooter (2007)		Out of the Blue (2022) (CC) R		(9:45) ★★★ Atlantic City (1980) (CC) R					The Reader R
SPORTS											
CBSSN		Pickleball APP Tour: Mesa.		2023 PokerGo Cup NEW		2023 PokerGo Cup NEW		2023 PokerGo Cup NEW		2023 PokerGo Cup	
ESPN		2023 Masters	Sportscenter	2023 Masters Tournament (CC) First Round. NEW						SportsCenter (CC) Live. NEW	
ESPN2		College Hockey	NCAA Men's Hockey Studio Update NEW	College Hockey (CC) NCAA Tournament: Michigan vs Quinnipiac. Second Semifinal. Live. NEW						UFC 287 Countdown	
Fox Sports 1		Westminster Kennel Club Highlight Show		146th Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show (CC) From Tarrytown, N.Y. TV-PG							Westminster
Golf		Golf Acad.	Live From the Masters (CC) Live. TV-G NEW					Live From the Masters (CC) TV-G			
NBA		NBA	High Tops	NBA Special		NBA Special		NBA Special		NBA Special	
NBC Sports Boston		Celtics Post Up	Celtics Post Up	Best of Zolak and Bertrand (CC)		Celtics Post Up	Celtics Post Up	Boston Sports Tonight with Felger and Holley		Boston Sports Tonight with Felger and Holley	
NESN		NHL Hockey Toronto Maple Leafs at Boston Bruins. NEW					Bruins	Bruins	MLB Baseball: Red Sox at Tigers		
FAMILY											
Cartoon		Teen	Scooby	King/Hill	King/Hill	King/Hill	Burgers	Burgers	American	American	American
Disney		Ladybug & Cat	Marvel's Mo	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Bunk'd: Learn	Bunk'd: Learn	Big City Greens	Hamster & Gretel	Marvel's Mo	Ladybug & Cat
Encore Family		Against	Against the Wild: Survive			(9:03) ★ Leave It to Beaver (1997)			Prize Winner of Ohio		
Nickelodeon		Dylan	Lay Lay	Sponge.	Sponge.	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
Nick Jr.		Peppa Pig	Peppa Pig	Paddingtn	(8:24) Peppa Pig TV-Y	Peppa Pig		Bubble	Bubble	Bubble	Bubble

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BASIC CABLE										
A&E	The First 48 (CC) TV-14-L,V		The First 48 (CC) TV-14		After the First 48 (CC) TV-14		(10:01) City Confidential (CC) TV-PG		(11:04) The First 48 (CC) TV-PG	
AMC	(5:00) The Rock (1996)		★★★★ The Shawshank Redemption (1994) (CC)						Moneyball	
Animal Planet	Dr. Jeff: Rocky Mountain Vet TV-PG		Dr. Jeff: Rocky Mountain Vet TV-PG		Dr. Jeff: Rocky Mountain Vet TV-PG		Dr. Jeff: Rocky Mountain Vet TV-PG		Dr. Jeff: Rocky Mountain Vet TV-PG	
BBC America	(6:00) ★★ Dante's Peak (CC)			★★★ Air Force One (1997) (CC)						Dante's
BET	House of Payne	House of Payne	House of Payne	House of Payne	Carl Weber's The Family Business (CC)		All the Queen's Men (CC) TV-MA		★★ Think Like a Man (2012) (CC)	
Bravo	Top Chef (CC) TV-PG		Top Chef (CC) TV-PG		Top Chef (CC) TV-PG		Watch What	(10:45) Race to Survive: Alaska TV-14-L		(11:45) Top Chef
CMT	(5:30) ★★★ Twister		2023 CMT Music Awards Extended Cut (CC) TV-PG						(11:10) ★★★ Twister	
CNN	Erin Burnett OutFront		Anderson Cooper 360		CNN Primetime NEW		CNN Tonight (CC) NEW		CNN Tonight (CC) NEW	
Comedy Central	(7:10) The Office	(7:45) The Office (CC) TV-14-L		(8:20) The Office	(8:55) The Office	The Office TV-14	The Office TV-14	The Office TV-14	The Daily Show	(11:35) Digman!
CSPAN	(5:37) Public Affairs Events (CC)									
CSPAN2	(7:01) Public Affairs Events									
Dest. America	You Live in What?		You Live in What?		You Live in What?		You Live in What?		You Live in What?	
Discovery	(6:00) BattleBots (CC)		BattleBots (CC) TV-PG				(10:01) BattleBots		(11:01) BattleBots	
Discovery Life	Sex Sent Me		Trauma: Life in the ER		Trauma: Life in the ER		Trauma: Life in the ER		Trauma: Life in the ER	
E!	★★ Next Friday (2000) (CC)				Celebrity Game Face		Celebrity Prank Wars		E! News	Celebrity
Encore	(6:56) Home Alone 2: Lost in New York (1992)				The Gateway (2021) (CC) R			(10:35) ★★ Escape Room		
Food	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	Restaurant: Impossible (CC) TV-PG		Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby
Fox News	Jesse Watters		Tucker Carlson		Hannity (CC) Live. NEW		The Ingraham Angle		Gutfeld! (CC) NEW	
Freeform	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	Good Trouble TV-14		The 700 Club (CC)	
FUSE	My Wife	My Wife	Freedia	Freedia	Freedia	Freedia	Sex Talk	Sex Talk	Buffy, Vampire Slayer	
FX	★★★ The Avengers (2012) (CC)						★★ The Equalizer 2 (2018) (CC)			
FXM	(6:50) ★★ Maze Runner: The Death Cure (2018) (CC)					(9:40) ★★ Maze Runner: The Death Cure (2018) (CC)				
Hallmark	Autumn in the City		Love in the Maldives (2023) (CC) TV-G				Gold Girls	Gold Girls	Gold Girls	Gold Girls
Hallmark M.&M.	Project Christmas Wish (2020) TV-G				Marry Go Round (2022) (CC) TV-G				Murder, She Wrote	
HGTV	The Flipping El Moussas (CC)		The Flipping El Moussas TV-PG		The Flipping El Moussas (CC) TV-PG		House Hunters	Hunters Int'l	Hunters Int'l	Hunters Int'l
History	Swamp People (CC) TV-PG-L,V		Swamp People Troy runs into big trouble. TV-PG-L,V NEW			(9:35) Swamp People: Serpent Invasion		(10:35) Swamp People A storm is headed for the swamp. TV-PG-L,V		
HLN	Forensic	Forensic	Third Watch TV-14		Third Watch TV-14		Third Watch TV-14		Third Watch TV-14	
HSN	PRAI Beauty		Gotta See G		The List With		The List With		Home	
ID	Evil Lives Here (CC) TV-14		48 Hours on ID (CC) TV-14		A Time to Kill (CC) TV-14		Lone Star Murders (CC) TV-14		48 Hours on ID (CC) TV-14	
IFC	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men
Lifetime	Castle TV-PG-L,S		Married at First Sight		Married at First Sight UK (CC) TV-14-D,L				Married at First Sight	
LMN	The Art of Passion		Murder at Blackthorne Manor (2023) TV-14-V				House of Deadly Lies (2023) (CC) TV-14-V			
MAGN	Maine Cabin Masters		Maine Cabin Masters		Barnwood Builders		Barnwood Builders		Barnwood Builders	
MSNBC	The ReidOut (CC) NEW		All In With		Alex Wagner Tonight		The Last Word With		11th Hour	
MTV	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Jersey Shore		Ex on the Beach		Grease: Ladies		Ridiculous	Ridiculous
National Geographic	Lost Treasures of Egypt (CC) TV-PG		Lost Treasures of Egypt (CC) TV-PG		Port Protection Alaska (CC) TV-14		(10:15) Life Below Zero: Next Generation (CC) TV-14			Port Protection
NatGeoWild	Cesar Millan		Cesar Millan		Cesar Millan		Cesar Millan		Cesar Millan	
NECN	necn NOW NEW		Dateline (CC) TV-PG		Dateline (CC) TV-PG		LX Current-NECN		1st Look	House
NewsNation	On Balance		Cuomo (CC) NEW		Dan Abrams Live NEW		Banfield (CC) NEW		Cuomo (CC)	
Ovation	Murdoch Mysteries		Murdoch Mysteries		Murdoch Mysteries		Murdoch Mysteries		Frankie Drake	
OWN	20/20 on OWN TV-14		20/20 on OWN		20/20 on OWN		20/20 on OWN		20/20 on OWN	
Oxygen	Unforgettable		Unforgettable		Unforgettable		Violent Minds: Killers		Violent Minds: Killers	
Paramount	Two Men	Two Men	★★ The Longest Yard (2005) (CC)					Digman!	The Longest Yard	
QVC	(6:00) Friends & Family (CC) Live. TV-G NEW				Calista - Hair		Affinity Diamond Jewelry (CC) Live. TV-G NEW			
Science	Forbidden History		Forbidden History		Forbidden History		Forbidden History		Forbidden History	
Sundance	Law & Order (CC) TV-PG		Law & Order (CC) TV-14-L		Law & Order (CC) TV-PG		Law & Order (CC) TV-PG		Law & Order (CC) TV-PG	
SyFy	(6:05) ★★★ Jurassic Park (1993)				★★ The Lost World: Jurassic Park (1997) (CC)					
TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Jokers	Jokers	Sheldon	Sheldon
TCM	(6:00) One on One		★★★★ The Adventures of Robin Hood				(10:15) ★★★ Life With Father (1947) (CC)			
TLC	World's Fattest Man		My 600-Lb. Life TV-14				My 600-Lb. Life TV-14			
TNT	Tip-Off	NBA Basketball (CC) Miami Heat at Philadelphia 76ers.					NBA Basketball: Nuggets at Suns			
Travel	Ghost Hunters TV-14		Ghost Hunters TV-14		Ghost Hunters TV-PG		Ghost Hunters TV-14		Ghost Hunters TV-14	
TruTV	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Entourage	Jokers	Jokers
TV Land	Andy G.	Andy G.	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	King
TV One	Cosby	Cosby	Diff. World	Diff. World	Diff. World	Diff. World	Diff. World	Diff. World	Diff. World	Diff. World
USA	(6:00) ★★ X-Men: Apocalypse (2016) (CC)				(9:13) ★★ X-Men: Apocalypse (2016) (CC) Professor X and Raven battle the immortal mutant Apocalypse.					
VH-1	Wild/Out	Wild/Out	Wild/Out	Wild/Out	Wild/Out	Wild/Out	I Got a Story to Tell		Wild/Out	Wild/Out
WE	Grown & Gospel (CC)		Growing Up Hip Hop		Grown & Gospel (CC)		Grown & Gospel (CC)		Love After Lockup	

Content Ratings: TV-Y Appropriate for all children; **TV-Y7** For children age 7 and older; **TV-G** General audience; **TV-PG** Parental guidance suggested; **TV-14** May be unsuitable for children under 14; **TV-MA** Mature audience only **Additional symbols: D** Suggestive dialogue; **FV** Fantasy violence; **L** Strong language; **S** Sexual activity; **V** Violence; **HD** High-Definition; **(CC)** Close-Captioned